THE TIMES

No 62,225 SATURDAY AUGUST 24 1985 23p

Portfolio

£22,000 to be won

There is £22,000 to be won today in *The Times* Portfolio competition: the £20,000 weekly prize and the daily £2,000.

Yesterday's daily prize was shared between three winners: Mr A. De Ballestero of London; Barbara Pilkington of Dalton in Furness; and Mary Wood of Newbury, each received £666.66. *Portfolio* list page 20; week's price changes, Information Service, back page

£214,000 'Dallas' offer

Thames Television has offered the BBC £214,000 to allow the corporation to buy back *Dallas* at the increased price the distributors, Worldwide Enterprises, are expected to ask. The BBC originally demanded $1 million from Thames to end the dispute which began when it outbid the BBC for the serial

Page 3

Mugger freed

A mugger of 17 with terminal cancer has been released from detention with more than two years of his sentence to run

Page 3

Aouita record

Said Aouita of Morocco broke Steve Cram's 1,500 metres *world record with 3 min* 29.45 sec in West Berlin Page 26

Company check

A High Court judge ordered government inspectors into Mr Jim Raper's building company, Milbury, saying circumstances seemed to "cry out for some investigation" Page 19

Korean exodus

A large group of North Korean soldiers who have assisted the Ugandan Army since 1982 left Entebbe airport for home Page 6

Bond confident

Mr Alan Bond, the Australian financier, looks certain to win the Castlemaine Tooheys brewery group after Allied-Lyons accepted his offer for its stake in the company Page 19

Transplant child

Laura Vickers, aged five, of Folkestone, is recovering in Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, after undergoing a liver transplant yesterday.

Tamil told to go

India is deporting a Tamil guerilla leader, Mr Anton Balasingham, said to be a British national, for alleged violation of immigration laws

Refugee flood, page 5

Vauxhall offer

Union leaders at Vauxhall are "far from impressed" by a pay offer amounting to 9.7 per cent over two years Page 2

Israeli pact

The leaders of Israel's two main parties have agreed to cool the mood of acrimony straining the fragile coalition government

Page 5

Spy dust doubt

Americans in Moscow are tending to reject Washington's allegations about the KGB's use of a harmful powder to track their movements Page 4

Paying parents

Parents who send their children to independent schools can now choose from a range of school fees plans to help them to cope with the heavy costs

Family Money, pages 22-25

Skelton break

Nick Skelton, the most successful show jumper of his generation, is to part company with trainer Ted Edgar after 12 years. Page 26

Leader page, 9
Letters: On epidemics, from Professor R. D. Brittain, and others; Notting Hill carnival, from Lady Norman.
Leading articles: Pre-summit lockeying; Latin America; Halley's Comet.
Obituary, page 10
Mr C. W. Munday; Major Eustace Robb

Home News	2-4	Crosswords	14, 30
Overseas	4-6	Diary	8
Appts	10, 21	Religion	10
Archaeology	10	Science	10
Arts	7	Sport	25-28
Bridge	14	TV & Radio	29
Business	19-25	Theatres, etc	16
Chess	2, 14	Universities	10
Church	10	Weather	30
Court	10	Wills	10

Rail ballot strengthens support for total strike

By Donald Macintyre, Labour Editor

The National Union of Railwaymen were last night expecting a decisive "yes" vote to industrial action after yesterday's ballot of the 11,000 guards as officials reported an unexpectedly heavy turnout in rail depots across the country.

As the voting, mainly in workplaces, drew to a close last night, Mr Jimmy Knapp, general secretary of the NUR raised the temperature of the dispute when he told a rally of guards in London that British Rail and the Government were now "cooking up a fares increase of five per cent above the inflation rate for later in the year which can be blamed on the union and its members".

There were growing signs last night that the union's executive which goes into emergency session on Wednesday as soon as the count is completed will consider seriously a national strike of guards among the options open to it.

The faction in favour of an all out strike has gained some strength on the executive because of the dismissals of 247 guards during the past fortnight and will press its case at Wednesday's meeting. Others on the executive will argue that the dispute should at least begin with action short of a strike, possibly an overtime ban backed by a rolling programme of selective strikes.

Even such a programme would disrupt severely large sections of the network and British Rail is expected to repeat warnings next week that it will shut down parts of the network if it cannot maintain a recognizable service.

The NUR's optimism about the ballot result was increased yesterday when it recorded an 87 per cent majority in its ballot on retaining a political fund.

In a voting system similar to the one used in the ballot of guards, the union recorded 71,907 votes in favour of retaining the fund and 10,580 against.

The main difference in the two ballots was that the political fund poll contained a higher element of postal voting and Mr Knapp said last night that this made the turnout of 61 per cent "especially impressive".

Mr Knapp added: "Our members have made a very positive effort to express support for their union and we regard this as a tremendous source of encouragement

Union leaders are not expecting such an overwhelming majority in the ballot on industrial action: while they are confident of big majorities in Scotland, London, and the north-west conurbations, the vote in the West country the North east and in rural areas the "no" vote could be significantly higher and the size of the majority will be an important element in what promises to be a long debate on Wednesday.

A 24-hour strike by guards at Swansea yesterday severely hit local and West Wales services, reducing them to about 50 per cent.

A minority of inter-city services were also effected. Disruption of the east coast main line is expected on Bank holiday Monday because of a planned 24-hour strike by Doncaster-based guards over the dismissal of 32 guards at Immingham on Thursday.

The NUR said last night that it had been "advised" by normally reliable sources that the increase referred to by Mr Knapp had already been planned.

British Rail last night rejected Mr Knapp's claims that it was planning a fares increase late this year which it would blame on the present dispute.

"There are no plans for a fares increase later this year or in the foreseeable future," British Rail said.

Mr Knapp told the London rally: "If British Rail think they are on a winner by provoking a rail strike on the issue of Driver Only Operation they should see the daily post I am receiving from hundreds of people in all walks of life calling for the retention of the guard.



Survivors Miss Debra Whalley (left) and Miss Anna Findlay, recovering in hospital, talk of how emergency procedures broke down under blind panic. Report, page 2.

Urgent US talks with engine makers

From Trevor Fishlock
New York

The Manchester disaster has prompted an early meeting between American aviation authorities and the makers of the engine that exploded as the aircraft was on its take-off run.

Talks between the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Pratt and Whitney company will facul on the *engine's combustion chamber*, a principal suspect in the Manchester crash, and also on the turbine discs at the rear of the engine.

Following seven incidents involving this type of Pratt and Whitney engine in the past four years, the American National transportation Safety Board recommended a month ago that these engines should be inspected. The recommendations were directed particularly to the turbine discs, where there ws evidence of wear.

There is on evidence so far, however, to connect the sort of turbine disc problem encountered in the recent incident with the trouble that erupted so catastrophcally and suddenly on the British Aritours Boeing 737 at Manchester.

Between February 1981 and May 1985 seven incidents involving engines of this type were reported to the National Transportation Safety Board.

On July 22 the Safety Board recommended that Pratt and Whitney should examine the engines and report to the FAA.

While the cause of the disaster has yet to be determined, Pratt and Whitney emphersied that "there is no indication of any correlation between what happened at Manchester and the turbine disc failures mentioned in the Safely Board memorandum. Our investigation so far has not shown that any rotating parts were involved."

Turbine disc ruled out as cause of holiday jet fire

From Colin Hughes, Manchester

Accident investigators seeking the cause of the British Airtours Boeing 737 fire at Manchester airport said yesterday they would call for a worldwide grounding and inspection of the entire fleet of 1,000 737s if their initial inquiries disclose structural or design fault in the aircraft or its engines.

As yet, the six-man team from the Accident Investigation Branch (AIB) of the Department of Transport has only been able to eliminate suspicions that a turbine disc in the Pratt and Whitney engine split and caused the engine explosion.

Pratt and Whitney in the United States launched an inspection of the 737 engines' turbine disc after a series of incidents, but, although the British Airtours 737 was fitted with the same engines, the turbine disc has been ruled out as a cause.

An AIB spokesman at Ringway airport said it could only confirm that there had been a failure of the port engine, and that a fuel pipe had ruptured and sprayed ignited kerosene down the aircraft. [The Press Association reported last night that attention was being focussed on the combustion chambers].

Mr Gill Thompson, the Manchester airport manager, had initially suggested that the accident was caused by a turbine blade shearing off, causing the engine to explode while at full power. He believed that flying metal from the failed turbine had severed the fuel pipe, and the kerosene was set on fire by the turbine explosion.

Yesterday, however, the AIB said it was not convinced that the engine explosion came first. It was equally posible that the fuel pipes had ruptured first, caught fire in the heat close to the engine, which in turn had caused the engine to fail and explode.

The 737's burnt-out wreckage was being inspected in a hangar at Manchester yesterday. Pratt and Whitney as well as Boeing flew over specialists from the United States to advice the AIB team, which is headed by Mr Geoffrey Wilkinson, its chief investigator.

"If anything comes to light which relates to aviotion safety in the early stages of this inquiry, immediate action will be taken to notify all other airworthiness authorities throughout the world, who would take instant action," the AIB said.

On page 2

Safety questions
Instructions defended
Aids to inquiry
Stewardess mourned

The investigators are particularly concerned to find out why the fire spread from outside the fuselage into the rear cabin so quickly burning at 500°C and melting the aluminium hull. They also want to know whether the protection of oxygen cylinders from fire is adequate, because it is suspected that they exploded and fed the fire.

The other main question is whether 129 passengers are too many for a 737. The British Airtours jet was one of many that have additional seats fitted by pushing them closer together to accommodate more charter holiday-makers.

"We want to find out if that number of people had a reasonable chance of getting out when half the exits were blocked by fire. It seems clear that those people at the back had no hope because the fire

Continued on page 2, col 3

Bonn agents flee as spy defects

By Our Foreign Staff

West German undercover agents are reportedly fleeing from East Germany fearful of being exposed by Herr Haas *Joachim* Tiedge, the senior Bonn counter-espionage official who has defected to East Berlin.

The East German news agency ADN said yesterday that Tiedge, formerly in charge of West German counter-espionage against East Germany, was seeking political asylum. East German officials were considering his request, the agency said.

In Karlsruhe, the West German federal prosecutor, Herr Kurt Rebmann, admitted that Tiedge knew virtually all



Hans Joachim Tiedge: asylum in the East

the secrets of his service. He had spent 19 years in "sensitive" positions" dealing with East Germany and counter espionage.

He had access to files on personnel employed at the counter-espionage service, the BFU, and knew the strategy, ongoing operations, logistics and all possibilities available to the BFU relating to East Germany and East German spying efforts, Herr Rebnann said.

Tiedge could also gain access to the judicial procedures involving espionage in West Germany and particularly people accused of spying for the East Germans.

"If he reveals all this information, it will be a particularly serious case of high treason in the intelligence field," said Herr Rebnann.

Herr Gerhard Jahn, a leader of the opposition Social Democrat Party, said yesterday that the defection is politically more serious than the 1974 spy scandal, which drove the then Chancellor, Herr Willy Brandt from office.

Three other suspected spies

Continued on back page, col 1

800 pupils arrested in Soweto

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg

At least 800 children have been arrested in Soweto, the huge black township outside Johannesburg, by police using their powers under the state of emergency to crack down on school boycotts.

About 300 of the children, some no more than seven years old, were held overnight in the township's Moroka police station after the round-up began on Thursday afternoon.

Some parents who went to the police station said their children appeared to have been sambokked (whipped) before they were herded into police vehicles and driven away.

The emergency powers give the police authority to detain pupils they find outside school premises during school hours, although there is no compulsory education for black children in South Africa.

Brigadier Jan Coetzee, Soweto's police chief, was quoted by the *Sowetan* newspaper as saying: "We will not allow 5,000 stupid pupils to disregard law and order. We are cracking down and we are going to bring *the school situation in Soweto* back to normal."

Witnesses claimed that in a swoop yesterday on the Fidelitas high school in Soweto's Diepkloof district, police and troops arrested pupils while they were on school premises.

They said a large contingent of troops surrounded the school and the pupils panicked and tried to escape but the soldiers had sealed off the gates.

Continued on back page, col 8

No peace in sight after talks at The Mirror

By Alan Hamilton

Mr Robert Maxwell who has suspended publication of all his Mirror Group newspapers in London and Manchester for an indefinite period, last night met officials of the National Graphical Association.

But there is no indication of an early end to the dispute.

Union officials would make no comment after the meeting, which lasted nearly three hours. A *Mirror* spokesman said that the negotiations were "delicate", and confirmed that the suspension of publication remained in force.

Between 200 and 250 NGA men were deemed by Mr Maxwell to have dismissed themselves yesterday and were sent letters to that effect. The rest of the group's 6,500 employees have been suspended, but they have already been paid until the end of this month.

Mr Maxwell abandoned production of *The Mirror* and *The Sporting Life* in London on Thursday night after complaining of "anarchic" action by NGA members. Yesterday he also suspended printing in Manchester, and unless there is an early resolution the *Sunday Mirror* and *Sunday People* will not appear.

MX makes first silo flight

From Mohsin Ali
Washington

The United States yesterday test-launched for the first time an MX missile from an underground silo in California. Its six unarmed re-entry vehicles successfully splashed down in the target area about 4,100 nautical miles away in the South Pacific.

The MX, called the "peacekeeper" by President Reagan, was launched from Vandenberg Air Force base. Its flight to the area within the Kawajalein Island missile test range took about 30 inutes, the Pentagonn said.

It said the flight marked the first test of the complete MX missile system: "The fully instrumennted flight test missile demonstrated its ability to perform an operationally realistic test mission."

Eight previous test firings of the intercontinental ballistic missile, all from cannisters mounted above ground on a concrete pad at Vanndenberg base, were also successful.

The MX, which can carry 10 independently targeted nuclear warheads, is the centrepiece of President Reagan's strategic defence modernization

The President has sought 100 of the missiles at a cost of $21.5 billion (£15 *billian*), but Congress wants a deployment limit of 50.

Sir Freddie flies for free

By Graham Searjeant

Sir Freddie Laker, who has been in conflict with British Airways for eight years, will be entitled to three free trips a year with his family on the State-owned airline, it was understood last night.

This goodwill gesture may have helped to seal Sir Freddie's last minute acceptance of an $8 million (£5.7 million) settlement with British Airways and others in the Laker Airways litigation. The agreement came after a private meeting with Mr Colin Marshall, British Airways's chief executive, on Tuesday.

The airline refused to confirm, deny or comment on the ticket deal yesterday. Given the £5.7 million payment, it is hardly financially significant to Sir Freddie. However, as a gesture of reconciliation, it would have pleased Sir Freddie that Mr Marshall again recognized him as a fellow airline *boss, to whom the courtesy of* other airlines is conventionally extended.

British Airways, followed by other airlines, withdrew the privilege of free first-class tickets in March, 1982.

Tuesday's settlement was on the same terms offered to Sir Freddie in July, after British Airways and its co-defendants had agreed an out-of-court settlement with the liquidator of Laker Airways for $48 million (£34 million).

Sir Freddie subsequently challenged the main settlement with the liquidator in the High Court. He lost, but the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Nicholas Brown-Wilkinson, approved the settlement subject to "one minor precondition" which was not disclosed.

This is now understood to be an agreement by the defendants to state on paper that they would not raise any obstacles to attempts by Sir Freddie to start an airline.

Guinness wins battle for Bell

By Jeremy Warner

Guinness won control of Arthur Bell & Sons, the Scotch whisky distiller, yesterday afternoon after a bitter and often acrimonious takeover battle that has lasted 10 weeks.

Victory was claimed soon after 4 o'clock when the brewing group disclosed that shareholders representing more than 65 per cent of Bell's shares had accepted its £360 million offer.

The result came as a bitter blow to Mr Raymond Miquel, Bell's chairman, and he was said last night to be too upset to comment.

Described by colleagues as a powerful and sometimes autocratic chairman, Mr Miquel, aged 53, was in the end deserted even by his previously most loyal shareholders.

Stock market sources said that both General Accident and the Glennochy Trust, which together own 16 per cent of Bell's and share the company's home town of Perth, accepted the offer yesterday.

Glennochy's decision to sell was all the more surprising since the roigins of the charity go back to one of Bell's founders, who set it up to provide facilities to benefit the people of Perth.

Mr Miquel is generally recognized as the most successful figure in the Scotch whisky industry over the last 10 years but he is said to have acknowledged privately in recent days that his management style was unsuited to the cut and thrust of a City takeover battle.

Mr Ernest Saunders chief executive of Guinness and the man credited with revitalizing the brewing group over the last four years, said he hoped to meet Mr Miquel early next week.

At the outset of the battle Mr Miquel said he would find it impossible to work under Guinness, and his £140,000 a *year job as chairman must now* be in doubt.

Mr. Saunders said it was important for the two companies to start working together to develop Bell's in the world market, but he refused to say whether there would be any continuing role for Mr Miquel.

Guinness launched its assault two months ago with a £335 million offer, but the defence began to fall apart after Guinness raised that to £360 million, provoking an angry boardroom split at Bell's. Mr Miquel said he would not accept at any price, but Mr Peter Tyrie, head of the group's four hotels including Gleneagles in Perthshire, said the offer was a full price and urged acceptance.

Mr Miquel then announced that he had begun a search for a "white knight" prepared to better the Guinness terms. When none materialized, Mr Miquel's credibility in the eyes of City investors vanished.

Kenneth Fleet, page 19

THE TIMES 1785-1985

INSIDE

Bank Holiday special



On safari
Wild destinations in darkest Britain Page 11

JUMBO

The big one
Prize Jumbo crossword
Page 14

On the beach
Sea angling and underwater photography
Page 13



A uniform expense
Shopping around for school clothes Page 15

MONDAY



Packaging the jet-set
Users' guide to Britain's airports

End of the pier show?
In decline – the traditional seaside summer show

School fees made possible by C. Howard & PARTNERS

School fees are a major family budget headache. But by planning ahead with C. Howard & Partners, the leading planning specialists, you will not only stop school fees becoming a problem, *you can save thousands of pounds on the overall costs.*

We provide individual advice, tailored to your needs and giving you the flexibility to use the benefits for whatever purpose you desire. And our service is completely *free* and without obligation.

With C. Howard & Partners, you can secure a private education for your children from money invested as a lump sum, from income or from a combination of both. Send now for full details, or phone one of our offices.



LONDON 01-439 8346 | MANCHESTER 061-941 2803 | BATH 0225 334625

ISIS C. Howard & Partners are recommended by the Independent Schools Information Service as independent school fee specialists.

Post to: C. Howard & Partners, Mitre House, 177 Regent St., London W1.

Name

Address

Telephone (Home) (Office)

Parents' ages Child/childrens age(s)

Current proposed fees

Day £ p.a. Boarding £ p.a.

T 24/8/85

Proposed method of payment (please tick)

from Income ☐ Lump Sum ☐ Income + Lump Sum ☐

C. Howard & Partners
The Leading Specialists in School Fee Planning

Families mourn the victims of Manchester disaster

Emergency procedures on jet broke down in the face of blind panic

From Colin Hughes, Manchester

Survivors of the Boeing 737 fire at Manchester airport yesterday questioned the speed and effectiveness of emergency procedures in evacuating confused and terrified passengers.

All aircraft before going into service are tested to ensure that when emergency procedures are followed all passengers can escape within 90 seconds, even when half the exits are blocked.

At Manchester airport, however, passengers quickly panicked, ignored instructions to stay calm and seated, and started to rush for exits before the aircraft skidded to a halt just off the runway.

The panic broke out because those at the back were desperate to escape from the smoke and heat of the fire at the rear.

Captain Peter Terrington noticed the port engine fire immediately and told passengers over the intercom to stay calm and belted in their seats. He was running at 100 knots only moments from take-off, and had to brake and turn the aircraft away from the runway before any order to evacuate.

Survivors's accounts make it clear that doors and escape chutes were opened and released as soon as the aircraft stopped, but by that time the crush of passengers struggling to escape had already started to block routes to the doors.

According to Miss Anna Findlay, one of the injured still detained yesterday at Wythenshawe Hospital, panic set in within eight or 10 seconds of the engine exploding, which is about the same time it would have taken Capt Terrington to stop the aircraft.

Miss Findlay was sitting in row 15 towards the rear. "We all heard a bang. Everybody stood up immediately, and two seconds later I looked out and saw then engine on fire. At the same moment we were having people shouting at us to sit down, shut up and not to panic.

"At first everyone sat down, but then the flames got worse and some people started to rush for the front.

"All the windows had cracked within a few seconds. I stayed for a moment thinking that if everyone starts running we've all had it, but then the push came from behind and I started to climb forward like everyone else over other people."

"When they moved most of the people fell down and people got trampled on. By the time I decided I was going to move people were crushed and lying down in the aisles. I went over the seats and just fought my way out. I could hardly breathe because of the smoke.

"There was a piece of rope outside the door and I just grabbed it, and people behind me pushed me out on to the wings. I thought I was going to die.

"The back doors didn't come open. Nobody moved backwards. Everyone moved forward. It was a passenger who pushed all the doors open. The front door and the middle ones were kicked open by passengers and it was a difficult job for them. It was so crazy in there you looked after yourself with no thought for anyone else at all. It was complete panic".

She said that the escape doors were quickly crammed full of people unable to squeeze out. "If everone had stayed back and been orderly I think more people might have got out alive."

Although the cabin crew stayed at their posts by the emergency exits and helped to push people through the openings, it seems they had no time to control the passengers before the rush began.

Other survivors, however, said there was a critical five to six seconds when the chutes were out, but no one had reached the exits. Mr David Ashworth, a survivor, from Bury, Greater Manchester, said he leapt for the exit before other people moved because he had been in a similar accident several years ago and decided to escape as fast as possible.

He said he waited for five or six seconds at the emergency exit waiting for his young sons to join him before going down the chute, during which time no one else reached the exit.

Miss Debra Whalley, aged 22, from Penwortham, in Preston, was travelling with her boy friend and two other friends, both of whom were killed.

She said: "We were sitting right next to the wing which was on fire and someone shouted there was a fire on the wing. For 10 or 15 seconds we did not do anything. When the fire came inside the plane eveyone was horrified.

"There was a surge of people from behind and there was thick, black smoke. The smoke was worse than anything, it hurt when you breathed in. I just got pushed from behind and I think I got pushed through the door. I took one breath, and I thought my number was up. We were just like sardines.

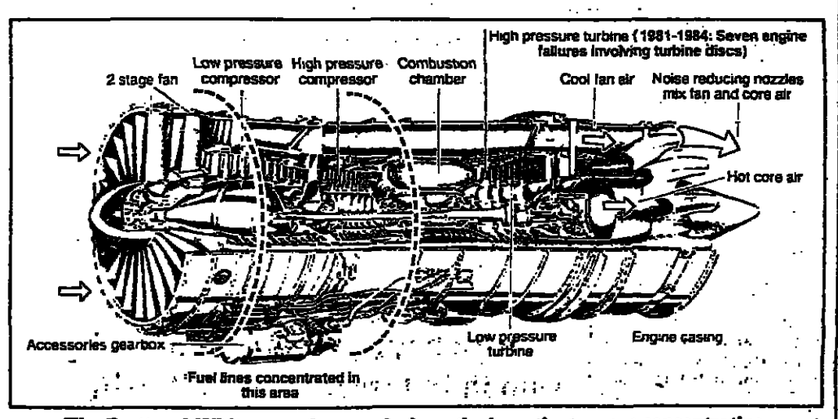
"Getting out was the luck of the draw".

Mr Gill Thompson, the airport manager, said: "We know that the pilot was told to evacuate the aircraft from the control tower.

Survivors said that no intercom announcement followed the captain's instructions to remain seated.



Aviation inspectors checking the aircraft's port engine yesterday.



The Pratt and Whitney engine – and where the investigators are concentrating

BBC unions fail to gain pledge on future vetting

By Alan Hamilton

The BBC's traditional independence and editorial integrity has been seriously undermined by the failure to show the controversial *Real Lives* documentary and by allegations that senior staff were vetted by MI5, broadcasting union leaders told the director-general, Mr Alasdair Milne, at a meeting yesterday.

Officials of the National Union of Journalists and the Broadcasting and Entertainment Trades Alliance (BETA), failed, however, to secure any firm assurances, either that the documentary would be screened in the immediate future, or that the process of vetting senior corporation staff would cease.

Although staff are angry at the suppression of the documentary, which includes an interview with Mr Martin McGuinness, the Sinn Fein leader and staged a 24-hour protest strike two weeks ago, the unions regard vetting as a much more serious issue.

Mr Milne told union officials at yesterday's hour-long meeting that a full report on vetting procedures was being prepared, and would be available for discussion at a further meeting within the next three weeks. He said that the question of vetting had been under review for some time, and told the meeting that less than a dozen members of the BBC staff were positively vetted, all of them for very senior posts in the corporation.

Mr Tony Hearn, joint general secretary of BETA, said after the meeting: "The BBC has lied to us for years about vetting when we have accused them that it has been going on. When we mentioned vetting to them today, they were uneasy and evasive."

Mr Milne and Mr Alan Protheroe, the assistant director-general, made no statement

Union leaders also made no apparent progress in their demand for an early screening of the *Real Lives* documentary.

Car men get two-year pay offer

Fifteen thousand Vauxhall car workers were yesterday offered a two-year pay deal worth nearly 10 per cent. The company is offering 5.5 per cent from mid-September this year, then 4 per cent from next September.

A company spokesman said the package would be worth 9.7 per cent over two years, but the company was also seeking changes in working practices to cut costs. The company tried for a two-year wage agreement last year, but that was successfully fought off by the unions.

The offer amounts to a rise of between £6 and £8 this year and £4 to £6 in 1986-87.

Mr Brian Bray, transport workers' secretary at Luton, said: "the men were far from impressed with the offer. We were hoping for a substantial pay increase to cover the real cost of inflation. We have not put a figure on what we want. We are open to negotiations."

Shop stewards will report to more than 8,000 workers before deciding the next move.

The company said it wanted a two-year deal to give it increased stability for future investment and business plans.

Austin is silent on shutdown

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

Austin Rover in the Midlands yesterday described as speculation a report that it was considering more than a one-week shutdown after the holiday period to avoid a winter increase in stocks.

The company has said that a one-week extension of the September holiday break into October was "under consideration" but declined to be drawn on the possibility of a longer closure.

Yesterday's suggestion was that a further closure of a week may be necessary later

Meanwhile, Nissan UK, the privately-owned company which distributes the Japanese cars and lorries, said yesterday it had spent more than £12 million on a big extension of its dealer network in preparation for the start of the Nissan car assembly factory at Washington, Tyne and Wear, next year.

A former Austin Rover site and a former Peugeot Talbot dealership are now being run for Nissan by former Ford dealers.

The sales build-up will be completed in time to receive the first of the planned 24,000 cars a year from the Washington plant.

Airline upholds 'be seated' plea

Despite criticisms from surviving passengers, British Airways' investigators at Manchester yesterday were confident that the cabin crew on flight KT 328 followed the correct drill procedures as the Boeing 737 Juliet-Lima burst into flame on the runway.

All British Airtours air crew are subject to rigorous training sessions at the British Airways' safety training centre at Cranebank, near Hatton Cross, west London. All stewards and stewardesses take annual refresher courses, and every year have to pass examinations set by the Civil Aviation Authority to test their knowledge and understanding of safety procedures before their flying licences are renewed.

In the particular circumstances at Manchester, flames engulfed the passenger cabin with astonishing rapidity, leaving passengers at the rear of the plane with no chance of escaping. It seems probable that this resulted from aviation fuel escaping into the holds beneath the cabin and exploding in a secondary, and devastating, fire.

British Airways' cabin crew confirmed that it would be standard procedure in any emergency when an aircraft was being brought to a halt on the runway for the cabin crew to call on passengers to be seated until the plane came to a complete halt.

The crew members themselves would have been seated as the plane prepared to take off. When the engine burst into flames and as the aircraft slowed, their first duty would be to get to the doors. Each cabin crew member has responsibility for a particular area of the plane and a particular door. These instructions would have been given by the chief steward at the routine pre-flight briefing, during which the crew would have been given details of the numbers and location of invalids and children among the passengers.

In previous accidents the number of casualties has been increased because passengers threw open doors which let fire into the cabin. It is the aircrew's task to check that it is safe to open the doors and then to do so, calling for assistance from able-bodied passengers

Ground crew responsible for seat allocation should have ensured that only able-bodied passengers were seated near doorways.

Once the doors were opened, the aircrew releases the escape chutes and it is then their job to get passengers out and down the chutes as quickly as possible. The instructions for dealing with passengers who panic or hesitate is to throw them forcibly out of the aircraft if necessary.

When time permits staff is also required to show passengers positions to adopt for unexpected impact, or to strip them of pointed objects such as brooches and high-heel shoes. There was no time for this at Manchester.

British Airways and Airtours personnel yesterday were adamant that their training was thorough.

Technology help for inquiry

The painstaking thoroughness of the accident investigators' inquiry into the Boeing 737 fire at Manchester airport will be supported by some of the world's most advanced technology and expertise in the field, which Britain holds (Colin Hughes writes).

The investigating team began the first stages of stripping the fire-ravaged wreck piece by piece in hangar 5A at the Ringway airport yesterday.

Attention will focus at first on suspect areas in this case the port engine, which exploded, and the fuel pipes and tanks in the port wing, which ruptured and caught fire.

When the turbine failed it will have thrown parts through the engine blowing out the casing. Some pieces of metal were found after the accident on the runway. By careful dissection and then putting the engine back together again both in practice and on computer, the engineers will be able to map a detailed account of exactly where and when the engine parts fractured.

Chemical and electronic analysis of metal throughout the aircraft will show whether it suffered explosion, heat, of impact, and at what speed, temperatures, and direction.

Once stripped down those items thought essential for analysis are expected to be sent to the Accident Investigation Branch headquarter labortories at the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough, Hampshire.

Similar techniques will trace the spreading of fire down and into the fuselage.

One of the investigating engineers is also a specialist in studying the flight recorder boxes, which were brought out intact from the tail of the 737.

The flight recorder itself chronicles the instrument settings at every stage of take off and emergency, and will show whether the pilot acted in the right way at the right time.

The other flight box is a cockpit voice recorder. It records conversations among the crew and with air traffic controllers, and will tell whether the captain issued instructions to cabin crew to evacuate, and what information he received from the control tower.

The accident investigation branch also has recent technology which uses the voice recorder for a separate purpose. Each time a control is moved or switched in the cockpit its sound is recorded. The Royal Aircraft Establishment tapes which give the "sound signature" of every control.

By using sound spectrum analysers the engineers will be able to discover all what point the captain's control orders were carried out, and possibly also when and whether he automatically released the emergency doors and escape shoots from the cockpit.

Doctors from the institute of Aviation Pathology who specialize in knowledge of the type of injury resulting from aircraft crashes and fires, will carry out post-mortem examination of the 54 dead and submit reports to the investigators.

British aviation safety authorities are bound by statute to impound the "personal history" of any aircraft involved in an accident so that no one can tamper with or publicize it before inquiries are completed.

If the British Airtours 737 had a record of problems either the fuel pipes or engines, the aircraft's history may provide vital clues.

Rain threatens £30,000 damper for bookmakers

By Patricia Clough

William Hill, the bookmakers, who have taken bets on its raining every day this August, are facing the prospect of paying a total of about £30,000 to hundreds of weather pessimists.

The odds, which started at 25-1 and shrank progressively as the wet month wore on, plunged to 4-1 during the past 48 hours after weathermen predicted a showery Bank holiday weekend.

The bet is of rain falling on the Meteorological Office roof in London, and sofar there has been at least a shower every day this week.

If this weather continues, the odds may shorten further and possibly finish "odds-on", a spokesman said. He added: "Our liability is currently around £30,000. We hope the highest authority up there will be doing something about sweeping away the clouds and letting the sun shine on William Hill's again."

The Royal Academy said yesterday that its Summer Exhibition had drawn its highest attendance for 25 years, partly as a result of the wet weather. When it closes tomorrow it will have been seen by some 145,000 visitors, a 20 per cent increase on last year.

Weather report, back page

Japanese plane hit by engine trouble

From Hikaru Kerns, Tokyo

A Japan Airlines DC10 bound for Seoul from Osaka was forced to cancel a flight yesterday when one of its Pratt-Whitney engines heated abnormally on the runway just before taking off. Some of the passengers reported hearing a loud noise and seeing smoke and flames from the engine.

The pilot was increasing engine power in preparation for takeoff when he noticed the gas temperature rising, a Japan Airlines spokesman said. He immediately shut down the engine and the aircraft was returned to the terminal.

The airline said that "contrary to reports" a fire did not blaze through the engine.

An Air France 747, carrying 162 people, developed engine trouble during its flight from Paris to Tokyo yesterday. An Air France operations spokesman said the problem was only an unusual pumping sound.

● Nearly £20 million in accident insurance, the largest for a single accident in Japan, will be paid to victims of the Japan Air Lines Boeing 747 which crashed on a domestic flight on August 12 (Reuter reports).

● JOHANNESBURG: A crack has been discovered in a fitting in the tail section of a South African Airways Boeing 747 during a special check of the airline's all-Boeing fleet after last week's disaster in Japan in which 520 people died (Ray Kennedy writes).

Turbine disc ruled out as blast cause

Continued from page 1

took hold so quickly," the AIB said.

Pratt and Whitney turbines, derived from the GT8D engine, are fitted to 737s and most DC9s and Boeing 727s.

Last October, the United States Federal Aviation Administration issued a mandatory airworthiness directive to all 70 airlines operating 737s around the world to inspect the engin's LP2 turbine disc, a huge plate in the centre of the 30ft long engine.

On July 22 this year, the United States National Transportation Safety Board recommended to the FAA that an inspection programme for the LP2 disc should be drawn up and the FAA ordered Pratt and Whitney to carry out the recommendation.

The preliminary results for an inspection programme were presented recently to the FAA, which has sent them to the British Civil Aviation Authority. Both the Aviation safety authorities were considering whether the inspection programme was appropriate, and the FAA was due to issue its findings within a week or two.

British Airways said it was not aware of any instructions to inspect the engine having been issued recently. The CAA said that, although all airlines were aware of the inspection programme being drawn up, no instructions had as yet been issued because the studies were incomplete.

Nonetheless, the investigators made the LP2 turbine disc the first subject of their inquiries because, if it had split, it would have been large enough to tear the engine apart.

The CAA said: "We have received advice from the AIB that this turbine disc is not suspected as the cause of yesterday's crash at Manchester.

Police have identified only 15 of the 54 bodies, using personal effects found on them.

Names of dead withheld

The identities of the 54 people who died in the Manchester airport disaster will not be officially released until next week. Greater Manchester Police said the decision had been taken "by chief police officers in discussions with the coroner and British airways staff"

A police spokesman added: "They will not be identified until mid-week. Our officers have explained the situation to the next of kin."

Identification has been hampered by the intensity of the fire. Greater Manchester deputy chief constable Mr John Stalker said it was going to be a "laboriously long and harrowing job". Dental records and personal property were having to be checked.

● British Airways has issued a new telephone number for inquiries about victims of the accident. The Manchester number, effective immediately, is 061 499 2132/3.

Stewardess was 'in love with flying'

Sharon Ford, one of the two air stewardesses who were unaccounted for after the disaster, "died doing what she loved," her father has told friends.

Miss Ford, aged 22, from Chesterfield, Derbyshire, joined British Airways a year ago after working for Virgin Airlines and Chesterfield Football Club, and had recently been transferred to Manchester from Heathrow.

She had gone back to work only on Tuesday after a holiday and lived with her parents in Enfield Road, Newbold, Chesterfield.

The husband of Jacqueline Urbanski, aged 27, the other stewardess who died, said she had wanted to fly since she was a teenager. Mrs Urbanski, of Bower Avenue, Wardle, Rochdale, joined British Airtours earlier this year after working in a tax office for seven years.

The crash is feared to have wiped out two generations of one family and the mother and daughter of another – all from the same town.

Mr Barry Bennett, his wife Mavis, and parents Tom and Sally Bennett, all from Holdings Road, Norfolk Park, Sheffield, are all unaccounted for.

Wendy Beal, aged 13, was last night missing the father, mother and sister she had been sitting next to on the plane.

She escaped, suffering only minor injuries, but Mr Raymond Beal, an engineer, her school teacher mother, Vera, and her sister, Sue, aged 16, are all listed among the missing.

Mr Harold Taylor, a 38-year-old scriptwriter from Dundee who worked for MGM on some of the scripts for James Bond films, was booked on the disaster flight and is still unaccounted for.

One survivor of the disaster was still critically ill in Wythenshawe Hospital, Manchester yesterday.

Five more patients remain in the hospital intensive care unit, but the other nine still detained are now being treated in general wards, a hospital spokesman said.

The critically injured man is Mr John Hughes, aged 31, of Liverpool Road, Haydock, Liverpool. The other five intensive care patients are all said to be "poorly but stable."





Sharon Ford (left) and Jacqueline Urbanski, the stewardess who died.

Howell takes chess lead in fierce struggle

By Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent

James Howell, aged 18, of Harrogate, North Yorkshire, defeated the International Master Mark Hebden to take the lead in the Lloyd's Bank chess masters' tournament with three points in an exciting third round struggle.

He shares the lead with the British Grand Master Murray Chandler who beat the Australian International Master Daryl Johanssen with the black pieces in only 27 moves.

The International Master Glenn Flear adjourned a pawn ahead against Britain's highest ranked player, Dr John Nunn. If Flear can win he will join the leaders, but Nunn's compensation for the pawn deficit appears to be enough to hold the draw.

The world number three, Alexander Beliavsky, looks set to win his adjourned game against the Indian International Master D. Barua, aged 18, and thus to join the chasing group half a point behind the leaders. He will join his fellow Soviet Grand Master Kuzmin who beat the English junior G. Waddington to reaach two and a half points.

Leading scores: Murray Chandler and James Howell (England) 3 out of 3.

PICK TOPMOST FRUIT WITH EASE



NOW – pick ALL fruit from dwarf and tall trees with the uniquely designed 'mechanical hand' fruit picker. Four 3ft lightweight non-rust aluminium poles extend the hand's reach in stages – reaching even the topmost fruit. When closed, slim (approx. 2in. wide) head glides through awkward branches without snagging, knocking off or bruising fruit as with bulky basket collectors. OPENS like a hand to gently but firmly pick and hold perfect fruit in 3 softly padded fingers. Pack to 3ft. for storage. Strong, robust construction gives years of use. £13.95 + £1.95 p&p. PROMPT DESPATCH. Money refunded if not satisfied. ACESS/BARCLAYCARD/VISA orders by phone ANYTIME ON 01-200 7581. Post cheques/PO's/cash to:–

ATTRACTA PRODUCTS LTD (Dept TTF34), Hyde House, The Hyde, London NW9.

ORDER NOW – PICK PERFECT FRUIT!

'O' AND 'A' LEVELS

If you are retaking 'O' or 'A' levels we can help you choose the independent tutorial college most suited to your needs.

Our personal advisory service has full up-to-date information on virtually every college. So we can help you find the one most likely to achieve the grades you need.

We are a non-profit making charitable trust and our services are entirely free.

Please telephone 01-734 0161 (24 hours).

Gabbitas-Thring

Broughton House, 6, 7 & 8 Sackville Street, Piccadilly, London W1X 2BR

Soaring claims threaten extended warranty on electrical goods

By Richard Thomson

Extended warranty schemes will have to become significantly more expensive or disappear altogether, insurance companies said yesterday. Many large insurers are facing millions of pounds in losses as a result of the schemes, which first became common about five years ago.

Extended warranty schemes are offered by most leading retailers on both white electrical goods, refrigerators, washing machines and other domestic appliances, as well as brown goods – radios and television sets. Many car retailers also offer such schemes. For an extra payment the customer can buy an extra guarantee running for a number of years after the manufacturer's guarantee expires.

Pearl Assurance this week announced that it had been obliged to put aside £2.7 million to cover expected losses from claims against the Electricity Council's Extracare scheme. Royal Insurance is involved through a subsidiary, British Engine, and also faces losses from the scheme. The scheme was discontinued in March when the insurers asked for premium rate increases of up to 140 per cent because of the losses.

Other insurers have also discontinued extended warranty schemes after experiencing heavy losses. Mr Tony Williams, of Guardian Royal Exchange, said: "Several companies tried underwriting such schemes but most have withdrawn, particularly on white goods. We underwrote schemes for two foregoing car companies but have discontinued them because the premiums were too low."

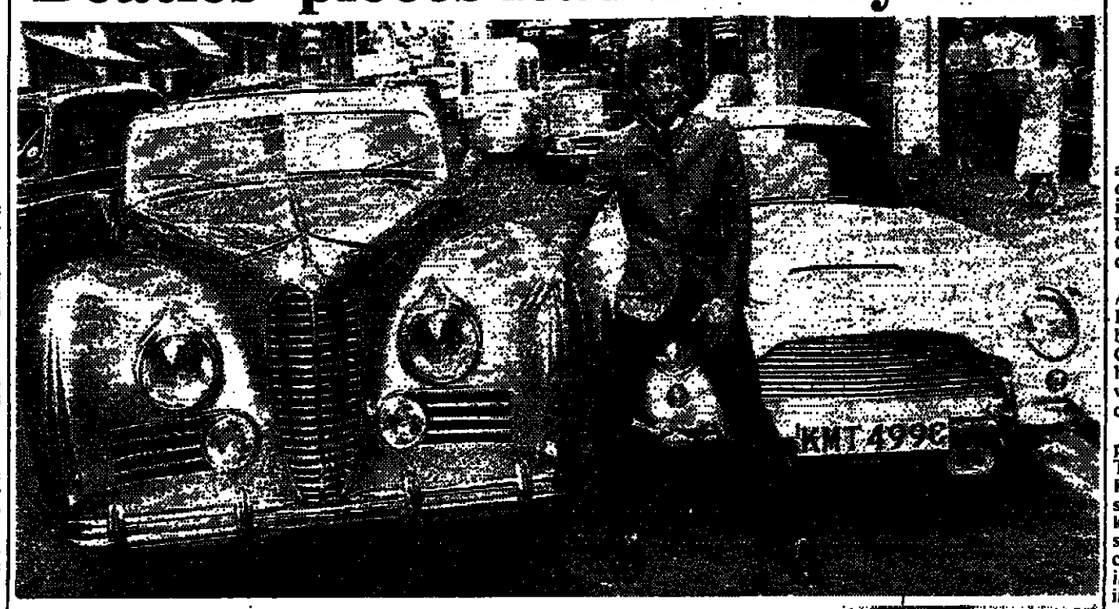
He added: "We became unhappy with the quality of the cars even though one scheme was for Japanese cars which are generally considered more reliable than most."

Insurers complain that the public is unwilling to pay a realistic level of premium to cover the cost of breakdown and repair.

Currys, the electrical goods retailer, reports that premiums on its own extended warranty scheme have doubled since it was introduced in 1982. But a spokesman said that the scheme was popular with nearly 50 per cent of customers buying some goods taking out extended warranty. "Customers still see it as good value for money," he said.

The spokesman added that the cost to insurers was caused not so much by large numbers of machines breaking down but because repair work tended to be expensive.

Beatles' pieces lead Sotheby's sale



Beatles memorabilia, including George Harrison's white 1965 Aston Martin DB5 Coupé, estimated price up to £18,000 (top right), dominates Sotheby's fifth annual sale of Rock and Roll mementoes in London next Thursday.

Another item is George Harrison's stage suit, (top, worn by Mr Steve Maycock of Sotheby's) and the sale also includes Elton John's 1949 French Delahaye, estimate up to £50,000 (top, left).

Elvis Presley's black buckskin jacket (above, worn by Mr James Forbes of Sotheby's,) is expected to fetch up to £6,000. (Photographs: John Voos).

Youth hid hacksaw blades in jail cake

Martin Smith, whose gift of an "exceedingly good" chocolate cake concealed a secret ingredient, three hacksaw blades, was sentenced at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Smith, aged 18, of Petersfield Avenue, Harold Hill, Romford, Essex, admitted taking the blades into Ashford Remand Centre in Kent with intent to help the escape of a friend. He was ordered to do 180 hours community service.

Mrs Linda Stern, for the prosecution, told the court on Thursday: "The cake was a Mr Kipling chocolate cream sponge, and as the court may know, Mr Kipling prides himself on baking exceedingly good cakes. But this one contained *ingredients Mr Kipling did not* intend it should have."

Mr Michael Bromley-Martin, for Smith, said yesterday: "It is difficult to know whether to take the hacksaw offence seriously or not. It is hardly an original crime. In fact, Smith's last burglary was at the Lyons cake factory, whether it has any bearing on the present offence or not."

Card tricksters jailed in test case

A crackdown by Scotland Yard on three-card tricksters cheating tourists in London led three men receiving prison sentences in a test case brought to Southwark Crown Court yesterday.

Police told the court the three men were part of a team operating a three-card "find the lady" confidence trick near Harrods, in Knightsbridge, last May. Ronald Tubey, aged 30, of Heathway, Dagenham, Essex; John Wilson, aged 30, of Temple Street, Bethnal Green, east London; and Alfred Webb, aged 61, of Amersham Road, Acton, West London, were each sentenced to three months' imprisonment for an offence under the Gaming Act, 1968.

The three had pleaded guilty at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court to charges of street gaming. Scotland Yard took the unprecedented step of bringing an additional, more serious, charge of organizing gaming, under section 2 of the Gaming Act.

In a magistrates court that carries a maximum of £2,000 but in a crown court tougher penalties can be imposed.

The three men were convicted of street gaming by the magistrates and committed to Southwark for sentence on both offences.

Yesterday Judge Butler sentenced the men each to three months' imprisonment for the charge of organized gaming and one-day in prison or a £1 fine for the street gaming offence.

The judge said the men had all taken part in a "criminally calcultaed piece of trickery designed to cheat the gullibles". He told the defendants: "Offences of this kind are committed daily throughout London by unscrupulous gangs of men such as you."

He refused a bail application by Tubey's counsel, Mr Ernie Money, pending an appeal to the Divisional Court against the conviction.

Outside the court, Insp Robert Sexton, of Chelsea police, said he hoped the test case will be a deterrent to others involved in street gaming.

The court was told earlier that the men operated from an upturned cardboard box with one man shuffling the cards, another appearing as banker while the third posed as a lucky punter who placed £20 on a card and won a further £20.

The "find the lady" trick involved a sleight of hand to hide a picture card out of three cards face down on a table.

Girl found murdered at seaside

A teenage girl was found yesterday brutally murdered in a secluded lane in Torquay, Devon.

Miss Angelique Quinton, aged 19, of Andover, Hampshire, who was on holiday in the town, is thought to have been murdered on Thursday night.

Police sealed off the surrounding area and interviewed neighbours and motorists parked near the lane.

The body was discovered by a waitress on her way to work. A hotel night porter, Mr Adrian Evans, who called the police, said: "She was fully clothed, although her stiletto shoes were on the steps and her jeans were filthy as if she had been sitting down or dragged."

A police spokesman said that Miss Quinton was last seen with friends in the Castle Inn in Torquay, a favourite nightspot for teenagers. He also said that it was likely the attacker would have scratches on his face.

Boat baby

Mrs Michaela Issock, who was on holiday from Europe on board her yacht off Plymouth, gave birth to a girl yesterday in the back of a police launch on the river Tamar

Welsh TV channel to be reviewed

By Our Parliamentary Staff

The future of the Welsh fourth television channel, which has been in operation for nearly three years, is to be considered by the Home Office.

Mr Giles Shaw, minister of state at the Home Office, announced the review yesterday, emphasizing that before any decision was made to change the present system the Government would need to be satisfied that this was in response to widespread demand and would be in the interests of Wales and the Welsh language.

The alternative would be to spread Welsh programmes over two channels, as was done before the creation of the Welsh fourth channel in November 1982.

Mr Shaw said that he would consider the views put during the next two months and hoped to announce the outcome before the end of the year.

The present arrangements were put forward by Lord Whitelaw, who was Home Secretary at the time. He said that they should be given a trial period of about three years.

Mr Dafydd Williams, general secretary of Plaid Cymru, said: "We feel the experiment of placing Welsh programmes on a separate channel has been a great success. We would be extremely surprised if there is any change in the present arrangements".

He added that although the party would like to see more Welsh language broadcasts, programmes during peak hour viewing at least were in Welsh. A recent pogramme in Welsh on this month's national eisteddfod at Rhyl, for example, was watched by 127,000 people.

MP wins release of dying mugger

A teenage mugger suffering from terminal cancer was released from a Leicester detention centre on Thursday with more than two years of his sentence to run.

The case of Kevin Capenhurst, aged 17, who was under surveillance during his illness at Glen Parva Young Offenders Centre, had been taken up by Mr Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West, on August 7.

That came after a campaign by his mother, Mrs Carol Capenhurst, a divorcee, after his rare and incurable cancer was diagnosed three months ago, and the Home Office minister, Lord Glenarthur, granted his freedom by the exercise of royal prerogative.



Capenhurst, who has only weeks to live

The youth, who has a number of convictions dating back to when he was 11, was sentenced to three and a half years for robbing a man aged 63, of £26, beating up another and assaulting a policeman.

The exercise of royal prerogative is applied in cases of extreme compassion or when doubt is cast on the conviction, and Mr Janner said he could not remember a precedent to the youth's release on the grounds of terminal illness.

His mother, who is homeless and staying with friends to be near his bedside at the Leicester Royal Infirmary, said she was grateful to Mr Janner.

But she said nobody had told her of her son's transfer yesterday from Glen Parva to the hospital, and she had only found out after making inquiries.

"He is very sorry for what he has done in the past. He is a born fighter and is determined not to give in. He is unaware of how little time is left to him," she said.

It is thought that the youth, who is suffering from a rare form of abdominal cancer, may have only a few weeks to live, and he may be transferred to the Leicester Organization for the Release of Suffering, a hospice due to be opened in the next few weeks.

Otters breed in wild

Otters released into the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads appear to have bred for the second consecutive year, the Otter Trust has announced.

The announcement, based on sightings of cub tracks, strengthens the trust's claim to have carried out the world's first successful captive release programme involving the species *Lutra lutra*.

Since 1983 the trust, based at Earsham, Norfolk, has released four groups of young otters, 11 animals in all, on privately-owned waterways in East Anglia, a female in the first group was assumed to have bred successfully last year when cub tracks were found near the release site.

Tracks sighted this summer indicate not only that a second of the four groups has formed a breeding colony, but that the first female has again produced cubs.

Jail for burglar who held woman in terror

A 6ft 8in tall basketball player who terrorized a Asian woman aged 77 and bound her with a sari during a burglary was jailed for three years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Victor Alleyn, aged 31, of Mount Pleasant Road, Tottenham, north London, who was contracted to a professional basketball team in Jamaica, was found guilty by a jury of burgling a house in Edgwarebury Lane, Edgware, on June 13 last year and stealing a necklace, a string of pearls and other jewellery and £800 in cash.

Mrs Gangaben Haria, a grandmother, was alone in the house when Alleyn broke in with an accomplice by smashing a pane in the hall window. She untied herself and pressed a "panic" alarm button near the front door. The signal went to the alarm company which relayed it to the police

Fear of poverty drove preacher to kill wife

Fear of poverty drove a retired Pentecostal minister, Stanley Abel, aged 76, to kill his disabled wife, the High Court in Glasgow was told yesterday.

But only minutes after Mrs Winifred Abel, aged 73, died, her husband discovered £1,700 in her bag, £2,000 in her bank book and that he had more than £1,000 in a building society.

The court was told Abel, of Kelvindale, Glasgow, smothered his wife with a pillow believing they were destitute. He was also terrified that because of his own ill health he would be unable to care for his wife, who was disabled with arthritis.

The jury found that Abel had killed his wife, but that he was insane at the time. He was ordered to be detained at Gartnavel Royal Hospital, Glasgow, without limit of time.

Miss UK robbed during crowning

While the new Miss United Kingdom, Mandy Shires, aged 19, was being crowned in London, burglars ransacked her home in Wilsden, near Bradford.

Police said the raiders may have switched on Miss Shires' television and followed the contest on Wednesday night before making off with most of her jewellery.

Tony Parks gets second ban

Tottenham Hotspur goalkeeper Tony Parks, aged 22, was fined £2,100 by Epping magistrates, in Essex, yesterday after admitting drink driving while banned for a similar offence. Parks, of Chigwell, Essex, was also banned from driving for four years.

Bank sentence

Raymond Deck, aged 42, a car-dealer, of Landport, Portsmouth, was jailed yesterday at Winchester Crown Court for 10 years for planning a £24,000 bank robbery.

Clamp on car loans for health workers

By George Hill

The Government urged health authorities yesterday to seek alternatives to their present practice of making loans at special rates to staff members buying cars. At present these loans of up to £3,500 keep about £11.5 million health funds tied up at any given time.

"I believe that reducing the money which is tied up in loans gives another opportunity to provide benefits for patients through better management by making more money available for use in the NHS", Mr John Patten, Parliamentary Secretary for Health, said yesterday.

"I am confident that the private sector can act as an alternative source for these loans at rates attractive to staff".

Car loans, of which there are normally about six to eight thousand outstanding, are made at a true rate of interest of about 12½ per cent, about half the rate that could be secured in the private market.

Last March a Rayner study into ways of saving money on NHS transport services recommended that staff car loans should be transferred to the private sector. Under existing NHS rules, health authorities are required to consider applications for loans where they think it appropriate.

The average size of the loans is between £2,000 and £3,000. A number of private insurance companies have already indicated that they may be able to supply funds for such loans.

JP quits after driving ban

George Batemen, a magistrate and chairman of the Independent Real Ale Brewers, Batemans, was banned from driving for a year and fined £110 when he pleaded guilty at Lincoln Magistrates' Court yesterday to driving with excess alcohol.

Bateman, aged 57, whose brewery is based at Wainfleet, near Skegness in Lincolnshire, is to resign as a magistrate.

Man assaulted yeoman warder

John Ferry, aged 69, who is homeless, was sentenced to two months in prison suspended for two years when Thames magistrates convicted him yesterday of assaulting a yeoman warder at the Tower of London on July 15.

Ferry was ordered to pay £150 compensation, and fined £25 for being drunk and disorderly.

Crash death after acquittal

A man aged 23 who crashed his motor-cycle while he was on trial accused of assaulting three police officers died in hospital yesterday, four days after being cleared by a jury.

David Slender, of Hesters Way Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, had completed his defence evidence in a trial at Gloucester Crown Court last Friday. The crash happened last Saturday.

Bond drops his sacking claim

An application by John Bond, claiming unfair dismissal by Burnley football club has been withdrawn after an out-of-court settlement.

Mr Bond, the former Manchester City manager, who is now in charge of Swansea City, was dismissed from his £30,000-a-year post at Burnley last August.

Helmet weapon in bank raid

A robber wearing a crash helmet smashed a security screen by butting it before emptying the safe yesterday at the Trustee Savings Bank in Craven Road, Willesden, north-west London.

The man was one of three raiders armed with a knife and a revolver. They escaped with an unknown amount of cash.

Britons still proud of their nation, poll shows

Although Britain is no longer the land of hope and glory, the British people say they still boast a good sense of humour, are fun-loving and totally trustworthy.

The days of "Rule Britannia" might be over but the pluck of the British spirit survives, according to a national Gallup poll which looks at Britain 20 years on.

The 1985 profile of Britain will be broadcast tonight by the television network, TVS, which commissioned the poll.

The programme's producer, Mr Chris Riley, said last night despite the social and political problems facing Britain today, 80 per cent of the population said they were still proud to be British.

"Some of the results are very surprising and show that most Britains believe if they could turn their national pride and hardwork towards solving social and unemployment problems, the future of Britain will once again become great," Mr Riley said.

The poll, which interviewed 1,005 people from all social and economic classes and ages throughout the country, found compared to the Americans, French and Russians, Britons saw themselves as "hardworking, fun-loving, polite and trustworthy."

Only 4 per cent said they were *not* proud to be British. But the majority (55 per cent) saw Britain's future in becoming more like Switzerland or Sweden and adopting a neutral, independent stand in world affairs.

"Back in the sixties the majority of Britons saw their country as a world power. Twenty years on they see Britain on a par with Sweden or Switzerland," Mr Riley explained.

Only 37 per cent said they still wanted Britain to regain ground and become a world power again.

Most people blamed the country's downslide on the Government and trade unions. But despite all the present-day problems, 67 per cent said the British people's main characteristics included friendliness, 66 per cent said the country had a "good sense of humour", 42 per cent believe most are hardworking and 46 per cent said the British were known for their politeness.

When it came to trust, 40 per cent said there was no better country, 32 per cent believed the British were sincere and 25 per cent said many were cultured. Only 26 per cent admitted the British were lazy.

On the more serious side of the British nature, 22 per cent said the British are more aggressive and 28 per cent said they are serious. The majority found their American cousins were more aggressive, insincere, less peaceful and less cultured than the British.

Only 8 per cent believed the Americans were "peaceful." Although 43 per cent said they thought the Russians nearly worked as hard as the British, only 14 per cent believed the Russians were friendly. And only 8 per cent said the Russians had any sense of humour. Nine per cent said the Russians were peaceful.

As for the French, most Britons saw them as less trustworthy than the Americans and Russians combined.

Only 8 per cent thought the French were sincere and trustworthy. Mr Riley said the survey involved 100 questions tracing the new British identity.

Badgers are preparing for an Indian summer

By Patricia Clough

While the Meteorological Office, with its satellites and computers, is predicting a cool showery Bank holiday weekend, badgers and other inhabitants closely in touch with nature, are forecasting a glorious Indian summer.

Farmers say that badgers in East Anglia have been gathering wet leaves and taking them down to their set. This, they say, is a sure sign of hot weather to come for it is believed, in those parts, that this is the badger answer to air conditioning. The damp leaves keep their homes cool.

The badgers' instinct is supported by Mr Arthur Mackins, a retired banker and amateur weather forecaster who bases his predictions on sea temperatures, volcanic eruptions and comets, as well as carefully studied weather patterns.

He forecasts a "tropical autumn" in October and November. Mr Mackins, who lives in Bognor Regis, West Sussex, does not subscribe wholly to the St Swithun's Day theory, but believes there may be some truth that summer rain which starts around July 15. St Swithun's Day, tend to end around August 23, giving way to good weather.

Mr Mackins predicts that Halley's comet, which should come into sight towards the end of the year, will cause "very hot weather" in 1986. Mr Mackins claims an accuracy rate of about 99 per cent.

But Mr Tanton, who makes three-monthly predictions and claims a 100 per cent accuracy, bases his forecasts on meteorological phenomena and weather patterns. He does not hold with badgers, seaweed, pine cones, holly berries and similar forecasting devices. "Nature tells you what the weather is like at the time not what it is going to be," he says.

Italian wines escape furore

By Robin Young

There is surprise in the wine trade that the Ministry of Agriculture has raised no general alarm about the contamination of Italian wines with the chemical diethylene glycol, which can damage the nervous system and kidneys.

Eight Italian wines were identified at the ministry's Norwich laboratory last week as containing the contaminant.

When diethylene glycol was originally discovered in Austrian wine, discussions between the trade and the ministry led to a public statement that wines from East European countries neighbouring Austria were being tested. The ministry said yesterday that this was because Hungary, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia produced similar types of wine to Austria and were in the same wine producing region.

No East European wines were found to be contaminated, but the Italian wines which have been found to contain diethylene glycol include two Lambruscos, bottled by Biscardo of Verona, who supply Stowells of Chelsea with several vines in their Italian range, including Stowell's Wine Box Soave.

A spokesman for Stowells, the wine subsidiary of Whitbread, said yesterday that the company would be testing over the weekend all its wines for diethylene glycol contamination. All those tested so far had proved clean. A statement will be issued when the testing is complete, probably in the middle of next week.

A Ministry of Agriculture spokesman said last night: "We have asked the trade to test all wines for diethylene glycol before putting them on sale, and are outselves testing samples sent by the trade or by members of the public. These do include Italian wines, but we have made no special call for Italian wines to be scrutinized in paricular."

Right now, where is the best place to invest £2,000 or more? In light of recent currency fluctuations and stock market confusion the question is pertinent. But we offer a good answer: the new Scottish Equitable Performance Bond, an exciting investment opportunity.

It's better than a building society because the rate of return can be so much more. Indeed, the average return of similar bonds launched by other leading insurance companies has been 50% in the first 12 months.

And better than the usual unit trust because you benefit from dual management, from Towry Law who review performance regularly and from Scottish Equitable's own fund managers who successfully control assets of over £1.5 billion. They choose between 12 funds and switch between them at no cost. And you set your own level of income.

For higher rate tax payers there are two helpful advantages. Take 5% out annually without tax and save on C.T.T. without losing control.

There is a special bonus of 3%. Launch date is the 1st September so you'll be in at the start.

Send the coupon today for details or call us direct.

Talk to Towry Law

for impartial financial advice.

Towry Law & Co. Ltd., 57 High Street, Windsor, Berks, SL4 1LX. Tel: 07535 68244. Outside office hours 01-936 9057. Or 031-226 2244 (Edinburgh) or 0532 445911 (Leeds).

Please send me full details without charge or obligation. I am/am not an existing Towry Law client.

Name _____

Address _____

_____ T24/B

Cardinal calls for complete rejection of Ulster violence

From Tim Jones Belfast

As the Provisional IRA last night prepared to increase its campaign of violence and two Roman Catholic families mourned their dead, Cardinal Tomás O Fiaich, Primate of All Ireland, said that no one should try to dress up such evil deeds under the cloak of war or patriotism.

As Cardinal O Fiaich spoke at the funeral in Coalisland, co Tyrone, of Mr Seamus McAvoy, a wealthy builder murdered for supplying materials to security forces, burial arrangements were being made for Mr Daniel Mallon, aged 65, who was killed after being mistaken for another contractor to the police force.

Mr Mallon was shot in the head as he was having a drink in a bar near his home in Strabane when two masked men entered. They called out the name of a Protestant building contractor and when Mr Mallon turned round inquisitively he was shot in the face.

He had no connection with the building trade or the security forces.

Mr Mallon's son John, aged 33, who has a brother and two sisters, said: "It's so pointless, senseless. He just went for a drink with his friends. He enjoyed their company – drinking with men of his own age. He was a lovely man."

The man targeted for the killing was a Protestant building contractor who was believed yesterday to be in hiding. He is understood to have been working on an extension to Strabane police station.

Those who shot Mr Mallon left a stolen car in a nationalist housing estate near by.

Father Anthony Mulvey, the local priest, said: "In any sort of conflict it was an act that would have to be described as cold-blooded murder.

"The IRA are not a patriotic body, they are a power-seeking group of criminal gangsters."

At the funeral of Mr McAvoy, who left a widow and six children, Cardinal O Fiaich said: "The most effective means you have of showing your regard for the late Seamus McAvoy is by a complete rejection of violence which has brought such crimes and such sadness into our midst by an absolute rejection of all paramilitary organizations with their guns and bombs, their murders and kidnapping, their blackmail and intimidation and extortion".

Referring to reports that Mr McAvoy could have bought "protection" for £30,000, the Cardinal added: "It is possible he could have purchased his life at a price, but he refused to be cowed by threats.

"This is a challenge to all of us to refuse to be intimidated. We must stand up courageously for all human rights, but the greatest of all human rights is the right to life itself."

By midnight last night, 12 men named by the IRA as alleged criminals were believed th have left west Belfast where they were threatened with "action" by IRA active service units.

Midnight was also the deadline for a named city centre bar to go out of business with the implicit threat that if it did not it would be destroyed by a bomb.

● Martin McGuinness, the man who is widely believed to be the IRA's chief of staff, was freed from jail yesterday. Mr McGuinness, aged 35, the centre of the BBC's banned *Real Lives* documentary, had spent five days at Belfast's Crumlin Road prison for non-payment of £155 fines imposed earlier this year for obstruction and assault on the police.



Mr McAvoy's daughter, Eimear, being comforted at his funeral

Pretoria under pressure as turmoil grows



Young people detained during a sweep by troops through Soweto yesterday waiting to be taken to a police station.

South African business leaders form lobby to speed apartheid reform

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

A lobby of leading South African businessmen is to be set up to press the Government to speed up its programme of apartheid reform.

Mr Raymond Ackerson, chairman of one of South Africa's biggest supermarket chains, said yesterday that he was setting up a "committee of ten" top businessmen which would use its financial muscle to press for reform and to promote dialogue with non-elected black leaders.

"It will act as a pressure group and a dialogue group. We will talk to the non-elected leaders so that we know the feelings of those who do not have the opportunity to speak for themselves."

Mr Ackerman said his decision to form the group arose out of "such a feeling of hopelessness" after the recent speech by President Botha which quashed hopes of speedy reform.

Mr Ackerman's business is being badly affected by the boycott of white-owned stores which is spreading throughout the country.

He said he hoped his group of 10 would act as a link between big business, chambers of commerce and the black trade unions. He also hoped it would help to end the boycott.

Mr Ackerman's initiative coincided with similar calls for action from Mr Gavin Reilly, chairman of Anglo American, the country's biggest mining, industrial and property group, and by the Associated Chambers of Commerce (Assocom).

At Anglo's annual meeting Mr Reilly urged the Government to start talks with black leaders. He said businessmen had the right and duty to ask Pretoria for a climate of political stability in which confidence could be regained.

"The vital step is the launching of negotiation, only in the sense that all South Africans – and for that matter the world – must know who is talking to whom and what about.

"All significant groups from all communities must be able to be engaged in debate about South Africa's political future."

A delegation from the Associated Chambers of Commerce held two hour of talks in Pretoria with a special Cabinet committee which is dealing with the future of urban blacks.

Mr Raymond Parsons, Assocom's chief executive, said the committee was told that reform intentions would have to be translated into concrete proposals.

It was impossible for the Government to start meaningful negotiations with effective black leaders across a broad political spectrum.

EEC envoys join vital round-table talks

From Jonathan Braude, Luxembourg

EEC ambassadors to Pretoria yesterday began two days of vital round-table discussions with senior policy-making officials from the member states and from Spain and Portugal on the policies and actions that the Community might undertake in its relations with South Africa.

The meeting will also prepare the visit to Pretoria next week of the foreign ministers of Italy, Luxembourg and The Netherlands to put the Europeans point of view.

However, the committee of African ambassadors to the EEC, representing the Organization of African Unity and the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group, has demanded that the visit be cancelled because they fear it could give "an aura of respectability and a sign of approval to the inhuman South African regime".

Republicans rally to defence of Tutu

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

Moderate Republicans in Congress have come to the defence of Bishop Desmond Tutu against attacks by American conservatives who are trying to block economic sanctions against South Africa.

Fifteen members of the House of Representatives and two senators have condemned to Rev Jarry Falwell, leader of the 7.5 million Moral Majority group, for saying that Bishop Tutu, the black Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, was a phoney as far as representing the black people of South Africa was concerned".

They said: "Bishop Tutu is a man of integrity, one of the most thoughtful leaders in South Africa today." Reagan Administration officials have similarly praised Bishop Tutu."

Representative Stewart McKinney, a Republican from Connecticut, speaking for the Republican group, told a press Conference that Mr Falwell could not be allowed to speak for America. "No Judeo-Christian philosophy can be employed as a justification for apartheid. To attempt to do so is to violate our country's moral fibre."

The Senate, which has a Republican majority, is expected to adopt a moderate sanctions Bill next month. The Democrat-controlled House has voted in favour of it already.

President Reagan opposes economic sanctions against South Africa. The White House has said the President will make a final decision only when a Bill reaches his desk. Its spokesman was responding to reports that President Reagan intended to veto the ligislation but might impose some provisions such as a ban on the sale of computers.

Mr McKinney also said: "To clothe apartheid in the robe of Christianity is an abomination." He said that if the President vetoed a congressional sanctions Bill, it would be overridden in both chambers if the vote were held now.

The White House spokesman on Thursday said the Administration here could not accept a reported statement from the jailed black nationalist leader, Mr Nelson Mandela, that violent change was the only option left in South Africa.

● NEW YORK: Mr Falwell said yesterday he was sorry if he had case aspersions on Bishop Tutu's character. During taping for a television programme, he added that he would like to tell the Bishop: "I'm saying that if the word 'phoney' to you, as communicated to you, meant that I was impugning you as a person or minister, I apologize. I was impugning the fact that you, sir, do not speak for the South Africans any more than I speak for all Americans."

Earlier, Bishop Tutu's daughter said Mr Falwell was "using his influence to mislead" Americans.

Spy dust charges alarm Americans

From Richard Owen, Moscow

After initial fears of contamination, there was a growing tendency among American residents in Moscow yesterday to refuse to believe Washington's allegations that the KGB had used a harmful chemical powder to keep track of American movements and contacts.

Many said that since the State Department had not produced evidence of the mysterious powder or its victims, they were reluctantly drawn to the conclusion that the Kremlin was probably right in dismissing the charge as an absurd invention" designed to have an impact on political manoeuvring before the summit in November.

Some diplomats and journalist take the view that the allegations were correct and that the full story has yet to emerge.

The wife of one American resident, however, said angrily that Americans in Moscow were being used by their own Government in a game of "ridiculous political theatrics" which would seriously embarrass the United States unless Washington produced proof and explained the timing of its announcement.

Pravda yesterday published a protest note by the Soviet Embassy in Washington accusing the Reagan Administration of trying to "poison the atmosphere" before the summit. American officials have said they found evidence of the KGB "spy dust" a year ago.

Yesterday evening *Izvestiya* called the American allegations a "dirty and foolish provocation" devised by the CIA. The paper said the chemical involved – nitrophenyl pentadien – was commonly used in households the world over.

Sir Bryan Cartledge, the newly-arrived British Ambassador, said there was no evidence that British citizens had been exposed to the substance, but he had reported to London and expected advice from British chemists and doctors.

Foreign residents in Russia were accustomed to surveillance, but it was a great source of concern to think such methods might have been used, Sir Bryan said.

Western embassies have told resident diplomats, however, said they saw "no cause for alarm".

A team from the US Environmental Agency is expected in Moscow next week.

The row over the KGB powder – which is said to cause cancer – has worsened the superpower atmosphere at a time when Moscow is already angered by Mr Reagan's refusal to back down from the Star Wars programme, and by next month's test of an American anti-satellite (ASAT) weapon.

Tass has condemned the test as another step towards the militarization of space and ridiculed the American argument that it would force Russia (which already has an Asat system) to negotiate seriously at Geneva.

Soviet officials express the hope privately that three imminent events – the Geneva Review Conference on the 1968 Non-Proliferation Treaty, the resumption of un-sponsored talks on Afghanistan, and the anniversary of Victory over Japan (VJ Day) – will offer an opportunity for progress in superpower relations.

Leading article, page 9

Gadaffi to make first US visit for UN session

New York (Reuter) – The Libyan leader, Colonel Muammar Gadaffi, will attend the 40th anniversary session of the UN General Assembly opening on September 17 – his first trip to the United States.

No date has yet been set for the visit, announced by a UN spokesman, but most of the ceremonies marking the UN anniversary will be during the second half of October.

The UN spokesman said the Secretary-General was informed of Gadaffi's intention to attend in a letter handed to him by Libya's UN Chharge d'Affaires, Mr Rajab Azzarouk.

Typhoons batter the Chinese

Tokyo (AP) – Typhoons killed at least 20 people in China and Taiwan this week, wrecking thousands of homes and boats. Typhoon Nelson battered northern Taiwan with 107 mph winds, killing three people in Taipei and a fourth in a landslide at Taichung.

An earlier storm, Typhoon Mamie, killed 16 people when it hit the Chinese coast city of Yantai. Reports said 120,000 animals were killed, 25,000 houses were damaged and 77,000 acres of crops were flattened.

Asian quake

Paris (AFP) – A major earthquake, measuring 7.7 on the Richter scale, struck near the Sino-Soviet border, according to the World Physics Institute in Strasbourg and the US Seismology Institute in Golden, Colorado. The area is sparsely populated but the city of Kashagar in Sinkiang may have been affected.

Jews protest

Brussels (Reuter) – Belgian Jews have protested against plans by Flemish neo-Nazis to commemorate the deaths of Belgians who fought for Germany in East Europe during the Second World War. The Government has been asked to ban a series of rallies in Flanders during the autumn.

Highway code

Miami (AP) – The state attorney's office here will not prosecute drivers for running down highway robbers who *jump in front* of their cars, provided the thieves are armed and pose a threat, a top official said. But he warned motorists against hysteria, emphasising that when must prove their safety was threatened.

Danger spot

Cheyenne, Wyoming (AP) – When Danny Gregoris, aged 23, parked his car on a street here he got into a fight with a married couple who objected to the space he had chosen. The woman hit him several times and when he pushed her aside, her husband killed him with a rifle he had fetched from his home.

Reagan ignored

Athens (AFP) – US tourists apparently ignored President Reagan's appeal for a boycott of Greece over the hijacking in June that led to the Beirut hostage crisis. Official statistics showed that in July 320,000 Americans visited Greece, an increase of just over 13 per cent last year.

Farmers' fury

Bordeaux (Reuters) – About 100 farmers overturned cartloads of Dutch tomatoes and courgettes when they stormed the central market here, and in Béziers, Languedoc, wine-growers attacked and emptied two trucks transporting Italian wine.

Peru cutbacks

Lima, Peru (AP) – President Alan Garcia Perez of Peru has announced several austerity measures, including dismissal of a third of top executives in state-owned enterprises, the sale of unnecessary official vehicles, and a freeze of all Civil Service appointments.

Brought to book

Singapore (Reuter) – Singapore plans mandatory jail terms for bookies, the Home Affairs Minister, Mr Shanmugam Jayakumar, announced. He said the present anti-gambling laws, unchanged for 25 years, were "totally inadequate".

Snap thief

Frankfurt, West Germany (Reuter) – A thief who grabbed an armful of cameras from a photographic shop gave himself up when he realized he had left behind freshly taken passport photos.

Dunkirk fall

Dunkirk (AFP) – A British chief engineer, Mr James Murray, was seriously injured and his wife Leila was killed when they fell 40 ft into a dry dock here.

Correction

Mr Muhammad al-Salmi, whose death was reported on August 21, was not related to Sultan bin Salman Abdel Aziz al-Saud, the Saudi prince who orbited the Earth in the US space shuttle in June.

Corner sweet shops risk the loss of 5,000 jobs

By Our Commercial Editor

Corner shops selling confectionery, tobacco and newspapers are under threat, with about 3,300 of them likely to go out of business by 1990 with the loss of up to 5,000 jobs.

That is the conclusion of a report by Euromonitor, the market analyst, which sees the best chance of beating falling demand in their traditional markets by their developing into convenience stores with a wider range of goods including groceries or becoming more specialist, as with the more expensive confectionery shops.

Pressure has been put on the corner shops by thriving retailers such as supermarket chains, and fast food outlets.

The number of convenience stores is expected to rise to 4,200 by 1990, with 35 per cent of the expected £1.7 billion turnover being accounted for by confectionery, tobacco and newsagents that have changed their pattern of selling.

Confectioners, Tobacconists and Newsagents (Euromonitor, 87-88 Turnmill Street, London EC1M 5QU; £180).

1,000 mink are freed in raid on farm

A search for more than 1,000 mink released by animal rights activists was under way yesterday in the New Forest, Hampshire, after raiders broke into the Nine Oaks Farm at Hangersley, near Ringwood.

They smashed open cages and sprayed vehicles with paint stripper, causing hundreds of pounds' of damage.

Police officers and volunteers scoured the area with nets, gauntlets, and portable cages for hours in an effort to round up the animals believed to be worth about £10,000.

Hampshire police said later that the Animal Liberation Front had claimed responsibility for the raid.

The police said yesterday: "This was a very irresponsible act. These animals are very spiteful and dangerous." They added that the mink could deliver a painful bite

Drug abusers swell mental hospital entry

The number of drug abusers admitted to mental hospitals increased by more than 76 per cent between 1979 and 1983, and the number of new patients more than doubled during the same period, according to figures released by the Department of Health.

There was an increase of 81 per cent in male admissions, rising from 1,027 to 1,864. The number of women admitted rose by 67 per cent to 920 in the same period.

Dog killer fined

David Gilbert, aged 42, unemployed, of Upper Holloway north London, was fined £150 by Highbury magistrates yesterday after he admitted destroying his alsation dog by stabbing it 49 times after it bit his hand.

£140,000 for fisherman who lost leg in crash

A fisherman who had to have his leg amputated after a motor-cycle accident was yesterday awarded £140,475 damages at the Court of Session in Edinburgh, although he admitted being over the legal limit for drinking and driving at the time of the crash.

Mr Andrew Thomson aged 34 of Meadowbank, Kirkwall, Orkney, who will not be able to go to sea again, sued Mrs Henrietta Jamieson aged 63, of The Manse, Quoyloo, Sandwick, after an accident on the island in 1982 when Mr Thomson's 250cc motor-cycle was in collision with Mrs Jamieson's car.

Mr Thomson had admitted that he had been drinking and a test showed he had 110 mg of alcohol per 100 ml of blood. He said Mrs Jamieson, who was travelling in the opposite direction, had pulled into his path causing the collision. Mrs Jamieson had said she was on her side of the road and had done all she could to avoid the accident.

In a written judgement, Lord Mayfield said there was no evidence that Mr Thomson's drinking had impaired his driving. He said he did not think the drink factor was significant in deciding the question of negligence.

Gandhi sees Punjab poll as reply to terrorism

Delhi (AP) – India's Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, said yesterday that elections in Punjab were the "people's answer to the brute force" of terrorism and that all political parties must face the challenge of violence united.

"Shall we allow the exercise of the free will of the people to be obstructed, frustrated and subverted by the forces of extremism and terrorism?" he said in parliament.

The Election Committee announced on Thursday that elections in Punjab would be held on September 25 instead of September 22, as originally scheduled.

The Government has decided to proceed with the poll depsite warnings from opposition parties that premature elections would prompt more terrorist attacks.

Opposition leaders urged Delhi to postpone elections after the moderate Sikh leader, Harchand Singh Longowal, was assassinated on Tuesday.

"Either all political parties unitedly face the sinister challenge of terrorism by strengthening the democratic process or they succumb to the threat from terrorism and extremism," Mr Gandhi said yesterday. "In Punjab all else is secondary."



Mr Gandhi: "Face the sinister challenge".

Mr Gandhi announced elections in Punjab, which has been under direct federal rule for the past two years, after he signed an accord with Longowal on July 24 in an effort to end the crisis in the state.

Britain hosts conference on Eureka

By Nicholas Ashford
Diplomatic Correspondent

Britain has invited financial experts from private industry in 17 West European countries to a meeting in London in mid-October to discuss funding for the Eureka high-technology project.

The meeting will take place shortly before foreign and technology ministers from participating countries meet in Hanover, West Germany, to discuss government funding and specific projects within the Eureka framework.

Britain believes that Eureka should be handled mainly by the private sector. However, the Government is prepared to consider ways in which it could assist, such as providing tax incentives for companies involved in research projects.

The London conference is essentially to gauge the extent of support from private industry for the project. This will provide an important yardstick for the Hanover meeting, since government funding will depend on how far the private sector is prepared to get involved.

Critics question Reagan stance in summit run-up

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Widespread criticism continues to swirl around the Reagan Administration's handling of the spy dust affair, with even some Republicans questioning the wisdom of the combative approach adopted towards Moscow in the run-up to the November summit.

A recurrent question was why the State Department chose to create an uproar three months before the Reagan-Gorbachov meeting. "Why are we making a big thing about this now? We have known about it for 10 years." Representative George Brown, a California Democrat, said.

A spokesman for the American Chemical Society said the danger of cancer had been greatly exaggerated. The Administration insists it was only interested in protecting its diplomats' health and the issue was unrelated to superpower politics.

All politicians have deplored what is seen as a crude breach of the respect civilized countries accord to diplomats. But many regard the tough attitudes being struck as part of the US manoeuvring to counter skilful Soviet initiatives that have thrown the US on the defensive in the approach to the summit, in particular the announcement of a moratorium on nuclear testing and missile deployments in Europe.

There has been biting criticism of the decision to go ahead with the anti-satellite test. Mr Brown said the decision boded ill for a successful outcome of the summit. *The New York Times*, sharply critical of the "torrent of tough talk" from the White House, said: "At this rate of attrition, there'll be little left to talk about at Geneva."

The paper said there might be tactical advantages in a harsh pre-summit attitude: it softened up the Russians, lowered public expectations, and guarded against criticism if any concessions that might be made. But there were dangers of excess.

More worrying to the Administration is the questioning by Senator Charles Mathias, a liberal Republican from Maryland, of US good faith in negotiating limits on anti-satellite weapons. He compared this with Alice in Wonderland "having to believe as many as six impossible things before breakfast".

The Administration shows no contrition for its tough line and the call by Mr Robert McFarlane, the national security adviser, on the Russians to change their thinking.

Officials have insisted that they are still interested in improving relations with the Soviet Union and have called on Moscow not to jeopardize mutually beneficial co-operation in environmental protection, housing for diplomats and agriculture.

Mr John Block, the Agriculture Secretary, left yesterday for Moscow on a visit described here important to overall political relations as well as the export of grain.

The poor overall state of relations has given prominence to niggling issues. The State Department said it had recently refused to let three members of the Soviet Consulate in San Francisco attend a US-Soviet volleyball match because the Russians had three times in the past six weeks refused to allow the US Consul in Leningrad to go to areas closed to foreigners.

New Caledonia law challenge rejected

From Our Correspondent, Paris

The French Constitutional Council last night rejected an opposition complaint on the amended law of the future of New Caledonia which was adopted by Parliament on Tuesday night.

The Opposition, led by the President of the Senate, M Alain Poher, and ex-President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, claimed that President Mitterrand's recall of Parliament to debate the law was unconstitutional and that the ratio of councillors in the Nouman region differed from that in the other three regions. The Opposition said this would favour those who wanted independence from France in the forthcoming regional elections.

The move was widely seen as a delaying tactic to hold up the implementation of the law. If the Constitutional Council had upheld the referral it could have opened up serious questions.

Its rejection, in the words of M Edgard Pisani, the Minister in charge of New Caledonia, means that the amended law is within the constitution."

صفحة من الأصل

صحكذا من الاحمل

Rising tide of refugees deepens ethnic divide in Sri Lanka

From Richard Ford, Anuradhapura, Sri Lanka

Faced with an incipient civil war, the Sri Lanka Government is preparing for a tide of refugees as violence and the fear of it cause thousands to flee their homes.

With sources privately predicting that the heavily criticized security forces will go on the offensive against Tamil separatists in the coming months, the numbers seeking safety in government refugee camps is increasing. Officials say there are about 55,000 "displaced persons" in the 30 camps around the island, but others claim the figure of both refugees and camps is much higher.

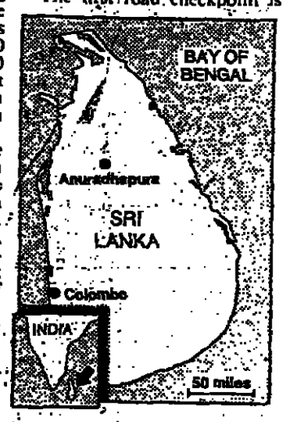
According to one source there are almost 30,000 refugees in the Trincomalee district of the Eastern province, housed in hurriedly prepared camps. Usually they are schools, halls, temples and churches commandeered by the local government agent for the lorry loads of frightened people.

Some are brought in by the security force, having been found hiding in the jungle. Others arrive with the help of local authorities, some by train, truck and cart.

Bloody conflict or rumours of trouble are enough to make many people cad for areas where their particular community is clearly in the majority. Tamils tend to head north, while Sinhalese go south to the area long considered their territory.

At least one diplomat has admitted in private that a *De Facto* division of the island is slowly coming about. The Sinhalese majority suspect that the "boys", as the Tamil Tiger rebels are universally known, have this as a policy. If more and more Sinhalese left the Northern, Eastern and North Central provinces the Tamils could say they were in an overwhelming majority and increase demands for a separate state.

The first road checkpoint is



just 61 miles north of Colombo at Chilaw, with six ramps in the roadand a hastily erected wooden look-out post complete with sandbags. Six khaki-clad police officers stand guard.

"You know the situation here," asked a weary looking policeman, holding an ancient .303 rifle. "Our Government is being attacked by the Trusthward [Tigers]. We are sorry for the inconvenience, but hurry on your way. Try and get home by dark and beware of more checks".

He was right: they loom suddenly in the darkness. Battered oil drums, branches and huge blocks of concrete are strewn across the road with no warning. Railway sleepers embedded with steel nails lie at the roadside ready to be dragged across the carriageway.

All but the major roads into Anuradhapura, 150 miles from Colombo, are closed. In normal times the Ramamali pilgrims' shelter would be accommodation for visiting Buddhists. Now six blocks, like stables, are home for 350 people for whom there are six water taps, inadequate lavatories and nothing to do all day.

The camp is populated by Sinhalese. Most fled from villages around Vavuniya and Mannar last weekend during outbreaks of violence and looting.

Mr Ranjith Rubsinger, aged 21, said he fled with his wife and 3-year-old son after Tamil rebels in Vavuniya threatened to burn his home.

For some their new home is a 9ft by 9ft room with a stone floor and a grille for a window. Others have to share rooms with other families.

They sleep on the floor or outside. During the day tiny naked children doze fitfully balanced on bundles of belongings.

The Government provides dry rations to a value of 10 rupees a day per adult and five rupees per child as well as medical attention.



Mr Reagan and his wife Nancy greeting the crowd before the fund-raising dinner.

Reagan claims Salvador success

From Michael Binyon, Washington

President Reagan said that one of his Administration's proudest accomplishments was that it had turned round a desperate situation in Central America.

He told a Republican fund-raising dinner in California that this had happened slowly and quietly, with little recognition. "When we got to Washington, the question on everyone's lips was, 'Will El Salvador fall to the communists?' Today the question is, 'Will democracy win in Nicaragua?' and tomorrow the question will be – 'How soon?'"

The president also criticized what he called self-declared experts who said his Strategic Defence Initiative was not feasible, and a waste of money.

Canadian MPs are split over Star Wars

From John Best
Ottawa

A joint parliamentary committee split yesterday on the question of whether Canada should take part in the research phase of the US Star Wars strategic defence programme.

The 17-member committee of MPs and senators issued a report in which the Conservative majority recommended that the Tory Government should refrain from taking a final decision until more information was available.

Both Opposition parties – the Liberals and the New Democrats – dissented, insisting that Canada should reject the US invitation to take part.

The report reflected the deep divisions within Canada on this issue, which were discovered first-hand by the committee at a public hearings across the country.

The majority said that the committee had been unable to obtain "crucial information" about the strategic, financial and economic implications of the Star Wars invitation, because the material was classified or otherwise unavailable.

The Government should not decide on taking part until it had all the information required. The Tory majority did go so far as to register its "concern" about the implications of ballistic missile defence for international stability.

The report will be of little help to the Conservative Prime Minister, Mr Brian Mulroney, who has said that his Government will decide soon whether to take up the US invitation.

Art comes to the streets of Madrid

From Harry Debelius
Madrid

The playful paintings of Joan Miró are being used to lure tourists to Madrid in the second phase of an art-in-the-streets campaign which began here and spilt over to the rest of Europe.

Encouraged by rave notices earned by Arate, a Spanish art promotion association, for its idea of enticing more Spaniards to visit museums and galleries by pasting up larger-than-life reproductions of works by Salvador Dali on billboards all over Spain, the Madrid regional government joined the Ministry of Culture to finance a continuation of the campaign, and the Madrid administration offered billboard-size Dali reproductions to capital cities of the EEC.

A total of 1,100 billboards, including 400 in Madrid, are being covered with huge reproductions of a series of six Miró works, chosen because they are all in Madrid museums. Whereas the Dali reproductions bore the line, "visit the museums", the printed message accompanying the Miró paintings is more tourist-orientated: "community of Madrid – come visit us."

All the Miró billboards will be up by the middle of next month in time to attract attention to a special Miró exhibition at Madrid's Spanish Museum of Contemporary Art beginning on September 23.

Ararte cut costs by enlisting the aid of the Culture Ministry and the Madrid regional government, getting free space from the Spanish Outdoor Advertisers' Association and convincing artists or their heirs to co-operate without charge.

Peres and Shamir try to end enmity

From David Bernstein, Jerusalem

The leaders of Israel's two main political parties have agreed to stop the spate of bitter personal attacks by rival cabinet ministers which have put the country's fragile Coalition Government under strain during the past week.

The Labour leader, Mr Shimon Peres, held an urgent meeting in Jerusalem yesterday with its Likud counterpart, Mr Yitzhak Shamir at which the two reaffirmed their commitment to work together within the National Unity Government, and agreed to cool the mood of bitter acrimony.

Behind the latest row is the eviction by the army on Tuesday of seven right-wing Knesset members, including two Likud representatives, from a flat which they had occupied in the West Bank town of Hebron.

The eviction, ordered by the Defence Minister, Mr Yitzhak Rabin, followed a Labour-Likud stand-off in the inner Cabinet last Sunday, when the five Labour-Alignment ministers resisted a demand by the five Likud ministers to lift the freeze on Jewish settlement in Hebron.

The episode provoked an attack of unrestrained ferocity on the Labour Party by Mr Ariel Sharon, the Trade and Industry Minister. He accused Mr Peres of carrying out the hated "White House" policy introduced in 1939 by the British Mandatory Government to restrict the flow of Jewish immigrants to Palestine.

Labour ministers and Knesset members called for Mr Sharon's head and publicly questioned the point of continuing the partnership with Likud in the present atmosphere.

Mr Peres and Mr Shamir, for reasons of their own, would prefere to keep the coalition intact.

Mr Peres would like to see his economic recovery programme bear fruit before risking a general election, and to make progress on the peace front, particularly by improving relations with Egypt.

Mr Shamir is anxious to keep the coalition together until October next year, when he is due to replace Mr Peres as Prime Minister under last September's rotation agreement.

His rival within the Likud has an obvious stake in preempting the agreement and precipitating an election, thus forcing Mr Shamir into another fight for the party leadership – one he is by no means assured of winning.

Mr Sharon's broadside may well have been the start of a campaign that some observers believe will eventuall bring down Mr Peres' government, and force a general election, possibly by next spring.

The Israeli army yesterday blew up two houses belonging to suspected guerrillas and sealed up a third in the West Bank village of Anabata after what the army described as the capture of "a terrorist ring operating in the Tul Karm area".

An explosive device was dismantled in a chemical factory in Ashkelon, the second such incident in the town during the past two weeks. About 20 Arabs were detained for questioning.

Mubarak denounces Libya

Cairo (Reuter) – President Mubarak of Egypt yesterday denounced Libya's decision to expel 100,000 Egyptian workers as "inhuman", as two leading Cairo newspapers called for international retaliation against the move.

In an interview with the daily *al-Ahram*, he described the Libyan leader, Colonel Gadaffi as "an adventurer who supports international terrorism" but said he would not undertake any military action against Libya.

Calling the move an "inhuman and irresponsible act", Mr Mubarak said that Colonel Gadaffi was economically bankrupt. "He wants to change an economic crisis into a political game by which he expels Egyptians and confiscates their belongings", the President said.

al-Ahram said Liby's expulsion of Egyptian workers came as no surprise given Colonel Gadaffi's open admission that he "encourages international terrorism".

The mass circulation *al-Akhbar* called for an international boycott of Libya and said the decision to expedl Egyptian and other Arab workers was against international law. It also accused the Libyan leader of financing terrorism.

Diplomatic sources in Tunis said yesterday that Tunisian forces had been placed on alert following a Libyan threat of military action.

Beirut back from the brink again

From Robert Fisk
Beirut

It finished around midnight – a sudden silencing of the empty roar of artillery – and the truce was confirmed exactly 12 hours later when one of Middle East Airlines' old Boeings came roof-topping over west Beirut and touched down with 142 passengers from Cyprus at the damaged airport.

The flight path runs over the heart of the city, and the message was not lost on those in the streets below. Lebanon had yet again stepped back from its familiar brink.

There was no sign of the Syrian military observers whom Mr Rashid Karami, the Lebanese Prime Minister, wished to see in Beirut. But save for the occasional burst of rifle-fire down on the front line, the heavy guns had stopped firing at midnight after the routine bombardment that always precedes a ceasefire here. Twenty people, most of them civilians, paid with their lives for this militia ritual.

The truce, however, was as tenuous as the hundreds of others to which Beirut has been witness. During the morning, the police triumphantly proclaimed the re-opening of the Museum crossing-point between east and west Beirut, only to close the road 10 minutes later because of an unspecified "problem" involving the Christian Phalangist militia. There will, doubtless, be further such problems over the weekend.

WHEN INTEREST IS TAKEN MONTHLY OR HALF YEARLY.

10.75% NET

WHEN INTEREST IS LEFT TO COMPOUND.

11.04% C.A.R.

MINIMUM INVESTMENT £5,000.

(DIFFERENTIAL STILL GUARANTEED WHEN RATES REDUCE ON SEPT 1st.)

WCRS

If you want the best offer, move to Leicester.

If you're looking for a secure investment with the highest possible return, your best move is to the Leicester Building Society.

For a minimum investment of only £5,000, our Leicestercard Investment Bond guarantees you 2.5% above the basic share rate.

Currently, giving you 10.75% net, with a compounded annual rate of 11.04%.

And for those with smaller sums to invest, Leicester's existing Leicestercard Bond still offers top returns, but now with a guaranteed 2% above the share account rate, for a minimum investment of £2,000.

Giving you 10.25% net, 10.51% compounded annual rate.

In all other aspects the Leicestercard Investment Bond and the Leicestercard Bond are identical.

Both guarantee the extra interest for at least 3 years.

Both allow you to withdraw your money without penalty with just 28 days' notice after one year.

Both give you the Leicestercard: a unique way to save money at over 11,000 shops and restaurants throughout Britain.

And both are going to be very popular. So if you want to beat the rush to Leicester, send off the coupon today.



SURNAME(S) (MR/MRS/MS)
CHRISTIAN NAME(S)
ADDRESS
I/we enclose £ to be invested in the Leicestercard Investment Bond/Leicestercard Bond.
☐ I/we require the interest to be paid or credited half yearly, or
☐ I/we would like the interest to be paid monthly.*
☐ I/we wish to apply for a Leicestercard. ☐ Please send me more details.
SIGNED DATE
To Investment Dept., Leicester Building Society, FREEPOST, Oadby, Leicester LE2 4ZP.

Leicester Building Society
It all adds up to more from the Leicester. T4

*Withdrawal from monthly income bonds will be paid on the last day of the month with a minimum of one calendar month's notice. Rates are variable. Maximum holding is £250,000. Leicester Building Society, Leicester LE2 4PB.

Officials stay away as North Korean troops fly out from Entebbe

From Richard Dowden, Kampala

One hunded and ninety-six North Korean soldiers who have been assisting the Ugandan army since 1982, left Entebbe airport on Thursday in an Ethiopian Airlines plane bound for Addis Ababa and Pyongyang.

They were unarmed, and dressed in identical square-cut, baggy, blue and grey suits, each bearing a lapel badge of President Kim Il Sung.

A spokesman for the North Koreans said they were going "on holiday", and would return in about two months, when "the situation is more stable". He would not say how many were leaving, or whether any were staying in Uganda. They took three lorry-loads of neatly packed boxes and bundles, and while they waited at the airport squatted in groups or posed for photographs.

Their presence in Uganda has been sensitive and secretive, and I was told at the airport as I watched them go that I had attracted the attention of a "special unit", and that I should leave immediately for my own safety.

Officially, the North Koreans are described as military training teams, but they have been involved in manning artillery and mortars in battles against the rebels.

It is ironic that Mr Yoweri Museveni, the rebel leader, originally learned guerrilla warfare in Mao's China, and is sometimes described as Marxist. On one occasion earlier this year his guerrillas captured two North Koreans in a car, but released them with a letter to President Kim pointing out that he, too, had once fought a liberation war.

The North Koreans have not been popular here and, as far as I could see, no senior member of the Military Council was there to see them off. No Ugandan officials would comment on their departure.

There have been reports that Mr Paul Muwanga, Uganda's Prime Minister, who negotiated the original agreement with North Korea, had asked them to leave.

As in Zimbabwe, where they trained the notorious Fifth Brigade, they had a reputation for brutal tactics. One British Army officer, formerly in Uganda with the 13-man British military training team, said of the North Koreans: "The only thing they did was to teach the African soldier what he was already rather good at: beating up the civilian population."

● NAIROBI: The National Resistance Army (NRA), which halted its anti-government guerrilla campaign after the Ugandan coup said yesterday it had assumed an "offensive stance" following "repeated provocations and trickeries by the military clique in Kampala" (Charles Harrison writes).

The NRA executive committee secretary, Mr Sam Male, said NRA units in three areas in northern Uganda had disarmed Ugandan soldiers "who handed their guns to the NRA peacefully". Similar action had been taken in Fort Portal and Kasese, western Uganda.

It appeared that the NRA was reinforcing its repeated demands to be consulted on all moves to set up a new administration in Uganda. The NRA says it does not recognize the Military Council, the Head of State, Lieutenant-General Tito Okello, or the ministers who have been appointed in the past few weeks.

News of the NRA moves to disarm Uganda Army soldiers spread in Kampala yesterday, causing apprehension about possible moves by the NRA to take over Kampala. Several banks, including the Central Bank, closed early, apparently on the instructions of army officers.

● KAMPALA: A young man who arrived in Kampala from Bombo, said guerrillas had ambushed the truck he was riding in near Matugga, 14 miles north of Kampala, and disarmed the soldiers on board before letting them proceed (AP reports).



Prince Hiro of Japan meeting King Juan Carlos, Queen Sophia and other members of the Spanish royal family during a visit to Majorca yesterday.

Convicted judge claims jury was misdirected

From Tony Dubondin
Melbourne

An Australian High Court judge found guilty last month on a charge of attempting to pervert the course of justice yesterday accused the judge who tried his case of seriously misdirecting the jury.

Mr Justice Lional Murphy made the accusation before the trial judge, Mr Justice Cantor, at a hearing relating to sentence in the Supreme Court of New South Wales in Sydney.

Mr Justice Murphy was found guilty on July 5 by a jury of eight women and four men on one of two charges of attempting to pervert the course of justice in a case involving a Sydney solicitor, Mr Morgan Ryan.

Last week Mr Justice Murphy failed in an appeal to the High Court on two constitutional points raised by the defence. The court referred 21 reserved points of law back to the New South Wales Supreme Court.

Mr Justice Cantor yesterday decided that Mr Justice Murphy should be sentenced before any further appeals were heard, but he decided to stay the sentence until he had dealt with the 21 questions of law relating to the trial.

Mr Justice Murphy reaffirmed his faith in the jury system, saying that even with its imperfections it remained the best device.

He said the evidence favourable to him had been excluded in the trial judge's directions to the jury. He was hopeful that the Appeals Court would direct a new trial.

Brazil declares war on poverty

From Sue Branford
São Paulo

"We must humanize development," Senhor João Sayad, Brazil's young and dynamic Planning Minister, said at a lunch here last week.

Brazil grew impressively in the 21 years of military rule, becoming the eighth largest economy in the Western world. But the boom excluded large sectors of the population.

"At least 40 per cent of the country's economically active population of the 40 million received no benefit whatsoever," Senhor Sayad said.

After four years of recession, many poor families are simply not getting enough to eat. Senhor Sayad believes urgent measures to alleviate poverty are imperative. A respected economist, with a PhD from Yale, he said: "If you tell an economist that someone is starving, he will tell you that you must first eliminate the public deficit and then take measures to promote employment. The problem is that by then the person is dead."

To achieve results in the short term, Senhor Sayad and the team of young economists in his ministry have drawn up an ambitious development plan to be implemented from 1986 to 1989. While they emphasize the need for Brazil to continue producing sophisticated manufactured goods for export, they believe that it is possible to develop, alongside the export model, another simpler economy which provides for the basic needs of the excluded sectors.

Senhor Sayad wants to invest $4 billion (£2.8 billion) a year in social development. By 1989 he hopes that the income of the poorest 40 per cent of the population will have increased by 50 per cent. He expects the average income to grow by 20 per cent.

One of the key elements in the plan is food production. With Brazil's deteriorating balance of payments in the late 1970s the military regime gave generous incentives to export crops, such as soya beans, so that precious dollars could be earned to service the foreign debt which was snowballing out of control.

But crops for domestic consumption were neglected. Per capita production of rice, beans, maize and cassava – Brazil's staples – actually fell by an average 1.9 per cent a year from 1977 to 1985. Annual consumption of beef per inhabitant dropped from 60lb in 1979 to 33lb in 1983.

The aim is to reverse this trend. Senhor Sayad wants the production of food crops to grow by 4.5 per cent a year.

Food is also the key to educational reform. About eight million children have never set foot in school. By providing good school dinners, Senhor Sayad hopes to kill two birds with one stone, reducing malnutrition and illiteracy.

The development plan is being discussed at meetings all over Brazil. After modifications as a result of these discussions, it will be presented to Congress in early September.

The question mark hanging over the plan is its financing. Can Brazil, burdened by its $105 billion debt, the highest in the developing world, afford to spend $4 billion a year on social development? Senhor Sayad says simply that the country cannot afford not to make this outlay.

The country, he argues, cannot continue indefinitely to export capital to foreign banks to the tune of $4 billion a year. Although he does not have the backing of all sectors of government, notably the Finance Minister, Senhor Francisco Dornelles, he believes passionately that foreign creditors must give Brazil time.

Unless interest rates on the international market fall much farther, he says, banks must either allow Brazil to pay only part of its interest or provide it with additional resources.

Catholics in Chile terrorized

Santiago (AFP) – At least 72 members of Roman Catholic organizations in Chile have been kidnapped, tortured or threatened by unidentified men since three alleged Communist leaders were kidnapped and killed on March 30, church authorities said.

Thirteen Catholics were kidnapped, including a psychologist, Señorita Carmen Andrea Hales, daughter of a former Christian Democrat minister of mines, Señor Alejandro Hales. She was abducted for 24 hours the day before his life was threatened.

On Wednesday a former Christian Democrat foreign minister, Señor Gabriel Valdes, demanded better protection from the Interior Ministry after his life was threatened. He is chairman of the Democratic Alliance of moderate opposition parties urging a return to democracy.

The church complaint about kidnappings came as Cardinal Francisco Fresno's overture aimed at easing a return to democracy seemed to have been ignored by the military regime and the extreme left.

Chile's bishops recently issued an unprecedented statement of "anxiety" over the growing confrontation between the regime and the opposition, which has resulted in 200 killings in the past 30 months.

Most of the 72 who were kidnapped or threatened work for Cardinal Fresno's "solidarity [welfare] vicariate", which helps the capital's poor. Two days ago, knifemen cut crosses on a worker.

Admiral José Toribio Merino, a member of the junta, suggested a few days ago that the church had been infiltrated by Communists (Cardinal Fresno is considered a moderate conservative).

The Government expresses determination to stay in office until the end of President Pinochet's term in 1990.

The Communist-linked Manuel Rodriguez Patriotic Front, which has carried out most of the bomb attacks against police and public buildings, has said its "militia" would join the anti-regime protests called by moderates for September 11 to mark the 12th anniversary of General Pinochet's overthrow of Salvador Allende.

Nobel winner pleads for Soviet science 'hostages'

From Peter Nichols, Erice, Sicily

The still unexplained absence of the Soviet delegation from the international meeting here of well-known international scientists to devise nuclear disarmament projects was used yesterday by Sir John Eccles, the Australian-born Nobel prizewinner, to back his appeal for scientific freedom.

He linked the disappointing results of post-war Soviet science with restrictions placed by Soviet authorities on their scientists, especially on young people who were, he said, "held hostage".

Sir John said: "Science is a discipline that can be effectively pursued only in the atmosphere of intense inter-action. Its mortal enemy is secrecy."

He pointed to the success in Nobel awards of the United States and Western Europe and the disappointing performance of the Soviet Union, except in the limited field of high-energy physics. Japan, by contrast, had achieved world class in the imporatnt fields of molecular biology, bio-chimistry, genetics and neuro-biology.

The Soviet Empire in isolation lacks the strong scientific tradition that is necessary to provide its young scientists with the inspired leadership that would give them the opportunity for world class performance", he said.

Sir John gave the example of the meeting in 1980 in Hungary of the International Union of Physiological Sciences. The Hungarians had made a special effort to set up sessions devoted to the interests of Soviet physiology. About 250 Soviet scientists were invited but only 90 were able to secure visas.

There was a general feeling at the end of this fifth Erice meeting that the Soviet authorities had made a psychological error in first promising a strong elegation and then failing to appear.

The boycott prevented the development of Erice as a parallel institution to the Geneva disarmament negotiations.

Professor Antonio Zachichi, the organizer, has accepted an invitation to go to Moscow to explain the principles raised here to his Soviet colleagues.

£££££££££££££££££££££££££££££££
£
£ BEAT
£ INFLATION
£ WITH EXTRA
£ INTEREST.
£
£ Now there's a way to protect your savings from inflation and still make real money for the future. Just keep your 3rd Issue Index-linked Certificates for a year or more and they'll not only keep pace with rising prices, they'll also give you Extra Interest on top. That means you are guaranteed to beat inflation.
£ Your Certificates will earn 3·54% a year on top of full inflation-proofing if held for five years. And everything you earn is tax-free. You don't even have to put it down on your tax form.
£ Buy your 3rd Issue Certificates at post offices – minimum £25, maximum £5,000. Pick up a leaflet for further details. Or ring 0272 290871 and we'll send you one.
£ When you buy the 3rd Issue, nothing can stop you making real money.
£
£ NEW 3rd ISSUE
£ NATIONAL SAVINGS
£ INDEX-LINKED CERTIFICATES
£
£££££££££££££££££££££££££££££££

صيكنا من الاصل

THE ARTS

Edinburgh International Film Festival

Britain cleans up at the film festival

With its Filmhouse completed and in full operation – including two cinemas, restaurants, bars and facilities that most of the world's festivals might envy – the Edinburgh International Film Festival now puts on such a proud and stylish front that you would hardly guess how shamefully underfunded it is by the city to which it has brought so much lustre in its 39 years. In terms of films this has been one of the best in memory, with something to be discovered every day, alongside major works already familiar from other festivals (Hector Babenco's *Kiss of the Spider Woman*, Terayama's posthumous *Farewell to the Ark*) and others like Paul Schrader's *Mishima* and Ken Russell's audacious *Crimes of Passion*, which are due for early London openings.

Gratifyingly, Britain had the biggest hit of the festival, with Stephen Frear's new film for Channel 4, **My Beautiful Laundrette**. Scripted by Hanif Kureishi, and veering – like a local and more genial *Clockwork Orange* – between realism and lurid unreality, it is a morality tale for the times, dense in its multiple layers. Sayeed Jaffrey plays the ebullient patriarch of a clan of irrepressible Pakistani entrepreneurs valiantly living up to Thatcherite ideals in their ruthless dedication to private enterprise and economic advancement. When it is complained that his Rachmanism will get Pakistanis a bad name, Jaffrey protests feelingly "I'm a professional businessman – not a professional Pakistani".

The film's well-intentioned young hero, caught between this godfather uncle and his own father, a defeated idealist driven by disappointment to the vodka bottle, readily settles for corruption and quick profit. Salvation, if there is to be any, appears to lie in true love, a touching affair with a white childhood friend whose own confusions have swept him up into the National Front. Writer, director and a lovely cast (including the long-lost Shirley Ann Field) portray a world hopelessly out of joint, but they show it with love and ebullient humour as well as despair.



Shirley Ann Field and Sayeed Jaffrey in "My Beautifull Laundrette" – a world hopelessly out of joint

My Beautiful Laundrette was made on 16mm; and Stephen Frears believes that he and his collaborators could not have achieved the same sense of freedom if they had been burdened with the larger costs and concomitant responsibilities of 35mm. Elsewhere too the Edinburgh selection demonstrated technical alternatives that open up new opportunities for film-makers. Derek Jarman's latest films, **Angelic Conversation**, a visual setting for a group of Shakespeare sonnets, and **Imagining October**, shot on the wing in Moscow, develop ingenious techniques of combining video and film, to achieve not only economy but also new optical effects. The films were included in a special tribute to Jarman, the outstanding visionary of British cinema, who is at last about to start his long-awaited feature film *Carravaggio*, with the financial support of the British Film Institute.

Ron Peck's brilliant little squib, **What Can I Do With A Male Nude?** – produced like the Jarman films by James Mackay – also uses the economical technique of video transfer, without any evident sacrifice in image quality. The film is a reflection upon the Bright Video-Recordings Bill, which will require an army of censors to ensure that no eyes but those of qualified medical men are sullied by the sight of human genitalia. In Peck's film, a nervous photographer conducts his model through all the contortions demanded by Decency, until a momentary and accidental frontal flash brings in all the might of the police cars and helicopters.

In **Half Life** the Australian Dennis O'Rourke, mainly known as an ethnographic film-maker, conducts a devastating investigation into the after- effects of the 1954 American nuclear test "Bravo" in the Marshall Islands, when the inhabitants of neighbouring atolls were contaminated by radioactive fall-out. At the time, the failure to evacuate the islanders (American ships actually sailed away) was put down to error; time fairly conclusively rules out that possibility. The unfortunate islanders proved and remain invalable guinea-pigs. O'Rourke marshals his evidence, including an astonishing contemporary record film which cheerfully writes off the Marshall Islanders as "Savages". The question of guilt is less significant than the daily horrors that will for decades continue to wreck these hapless lives.

A mixture of documentary and recreation, Jeanine Meerapfel's **Melek Leaves** is a portrait of a Turkish *Gastarbeiter*, recruited with thousands more in the boom years of the German economy, and repatriated in a period when growing unemployment is already stirring up rascist hostilities. Melek however refuses to fit into the role of victim; a tough and humorous woman, she takes command of the film in the same forthright way as she answers back to indifferent bureaucrats. Melek leaves, but before she goes she takes the lid off the hypocrisy and exploitation involved in the *Gastarbeiter* policy. Meerapfel skilfully and correctly allows the subject to dictate the form and movement of her film.

Among Edinburgh's crop of Japanese films, Mitsuo Yanagimachi's **Fire Festival** is a complex and intriguing work set in a remote rural town, where modern technology clashes with the old pantheism, and the conflict of the gods of the forest and the gods of the sea produces disastrous social and psychological effects. Chris Marker's impressionistic portrait of Akira Kurosawa at work, **A.K.**, is a reminder that Kurosawa's monumental re-interpretation of *King Lear*, *Ran*, is imminent.

Easily the most attractive film on show in Edinburh was Xiaoxian Hou's **A Summer at Grandpa's**, is one of those films in which the characters are so skilfully and wholly revealed in their human depths that the exotic faces and places are hardly noticed: this is every remembered childhood summer. It is to be hoped that this irresistible film is instantly snapped up by television.

David Robinson

Radio

Travellers' tales

Radio, and in particular Radio 4, is in a decidely get-away-from-it-all mood at the moment. On Wednesday, for example, I discovered Phil Smith exploring the wilds of North Yorkshire in *Pennine Perspective*, while Hannah Gordon continued her weekly potterings about *Great Gardens*. And, on the same day, Radio 4 began a new series with Tom Salmon making a tour Around the Coast of Cornwall (repeated Thursdays, produced Anthony Smith).

Beginning his journey at Morwenstow, the home of the parson-poet R. S. Hawker, Mr Salmon travelled south to Bude, Boscastle, Tintagel and Padstow. It is a gloriously romantic stretch of coastline but listeners unfamiliar with its elemental delights may well have found this radio expedition somewhat less than satisfying.

Cornwall, Mr Salmon told us, was once described as "an indifferent picture inside a magnificent frame", and I for one would have happily traded some of the *Down Your Way* interviews with potters and life-savers if we could just have lingered a little longer on the extraordinary carving and decoration of that frame.

What was missing was a sense of the relation between sky, land and seascape, a sense of a place wreathed in mystery and dominated by weather; of wizened trees turning their backs to the wind and flinty walls covered with grey-green lichen. Perhaps the palm-fringed south will fare better.

North of Morwenstow lies Devon and, among its coastal resorts, Lynton, which provided the setting for Stephen Dunstone's remarkable play Arrived Safe, Writing Later (Monday, repeated tomorrow, directed by John Tydeman). It was a sinister, compelling story about a writer, Roger Danzi, who finds – in widely separated places – two picture postcards sent 50 years before by Ethel, a shop-girl on holiday from London. The coincidence prompts him to try to find out something of her story in the hope that it might provide the basis for a television documentary (would it have been perhaps *too* neat if it had been, instead, a radio play?.

Journeying to Lynton, Roger stays in the same hotel where Ethel had stayed in 1933. There he befriends Julia, a pianist, and both of them get sucked into a bizarre whirlpool of time, their lives becoming entangled with those of Ethel and a young hotel employee, George, with whom she has a holiday romance.

The play explores the Priestleyesque concept of whether a writer merely records events that have happened or, in some way, helps to fashion their happening. Roger wants his story to end dramatically with Ethel cut off by the tide and drowned. The scenario of *his* play ends in tragedy for Ethel; but the scenario of the play in which he is himself a character ends in tragedy for him. The interweaving of past and present was an ingeniously handled device that left the listener uncertain, even after the play's gripping climax, as to which characters were ghosts and which were real.

With this, his second play for radio, Stephen Dunstone has shown himself to be an accomplished story-teller with real talent for creating character and evoking time and place, and with ideas that – to borrow an analogy from his play – go churning round and round in the mind like the impossible waterfall in the famous illusionary drawing by M. C. Escher.

The thing about holidays is that they provide an unreal, but carefully demarcated, sense of freedom in which, caught off our guard, we may discover something of what we are, wish to be or might have been. This was certainly the case for the characters in Marcia Kahan's play One Last Fling (Wednesday, directed by Jeremy Mortimer).

Arthur, a 72-year-old reprobate, blackmails his sister into letting him take a last holiday in his favourite city, Paris. In revenge, his sister books him on to a ghastly whistle-stop package tour and things look fairly bleak for him. Until, that is, he meets, and falls in love with, Nora, an elderly spinster from Dulwich, who is as much of a misfit as Arthur.

The play was slight, full of clichéd plot devices and cardboard supporting characters (stereotypical American tourists, frightful fact-laden couriers); but its protagonists were so delightfully drawn – and engagingly played by Robin Bailey and Fabia Drake – that their exploration of Paris and their discovery of love bubbled over with charm and wit. When they finally beat the system, eluded the machinations of friends and relations, and decided (on the toss of a coin) to elope on a flight for Lisbon, one could only cheer them on their way.

Brian Sibley

David Wade is on vacation

● David Jason is to star in the comedy *Look, No Hands!*, by John Chapman and Michael Pertwee, which opens at the Strand Theatre on September 4 after visiting Richmond and Brighton.

Television

In the early 1970s, 2.2 million women in the United States were fitted with a new intra-uterine contraceptive, the Dalkon Shield, made by the multi-national pharmaceutical company A. H. Robins, whose marketing expertise, allied to fears about the Pill, ensured that it became the world's fastest selling contraceptive.

By 1974, the comany was putting out advertising urging women to have it removed at their expense in response to a ban by the Food and Drugs Adminstration (FDA), and in the face of allegations that the shield was responsible for *infections and complications* leading to hysterectomies, infertility and even deaths.

The device was introduced to Britain, at about the same time as the FDA ban. It is said that as many as 2,000 women here could still be using it. Next month women's magazines here will be carrying company advertising warning women to have it removed.

The Billion-Dollar Time Bomb, last night's Out of Court special on BBC2, dealt with the history and the controversy and litigation it has caused.

In the United States, A. H. Robins, who strongly support its virtues in the face of all evidence, has fought 59 cases and lost 33. Compensation so far paid amounts to more than $314m and $615m has been set aside to deal with future claims. One hundred law firms in the US are defending the company and, of course, many others are attacking them on behalf of complainants.

Only four British women have received out-of-court settlements, assisted by the Dalkon Shield Association, but interest now focuses on Mrs Anna Piccinin. Following complications, she had her shield removed in an operation and claims that it is to blame for her subsequent infertility.

Mrs Piccinin's case is in the hands of an American law firm which operates on the contingency fee basis: if they lose they get nothing; if they win they take one-third of the damages.

Jeremy Evans produced a thorough programme, astounding in both its medical and legal implications. No doubt we will hear more.

Dennis Hackett

Concerts

A helping hand for Prokofiev and Chopin

BBCPO/Downes
Albert Hall/Radio 3

To my mind the concept of a symphony implies some sort of coherent, self-contained, dramatic musical structure. Prokofiev's Fourth Symphony, which ended a conspicuously curious BBC Philharmonic Orchestra promenade concert, does not seem to be that, whatever else it is.

It begins with the considerable advantage of having been made from material initially dreamed up for the ballet *The Prodigal Son*, a Diaghilev commission completed earlier in 1929, the year in which the first draft of the symphony appeared (it was revised in 1947).

Not even the confidence with which Prokofiev appears to execute his hybrid scheme, nor the abundant brilliance of his orchestration, can possibly alter the fact that it is a lumpy work, full of bizarre contradictions.

The first movement sets out by promising much with its expansive, lyrical and apparently deeply felt introduction. Immediately the allegro section begins, however, the atmosphere so lovingly generated dissolves into something approaching farce, most obviously epitomized in the long sequence of perverse cadences, while the second subject, innocent to the point of being bland, has the makings of an act of redemption, but soon leads to music that is merely decorative.

True, there is a ravishing flute solo, played here with beguiling simplicity by Richard Davis, to introduce the andante tranquillo second movement, yet once more the rich promise is unfulfilled. Too often here the metrical regularity dulls the senses, while the scherzo, apparently an expansion of the seductress's dance in the ballet, in its new guise is a distincly unalluring temptation.

Still, it is only right we should be given the chance to hear a good composer not quite at his best now and again, and certainly no orchestra could have done the work more convincingly than this one, with the conductor, Edward Downes, balancing all the disparate elements skilfully.

He was sometimes a little out of touch with Sequeira Costa the soloist in Chopin's Second Piano Concerto, another uneven work, but Costa's response, despite a sound quality that was sometimes a little hard edged and playing that was not always absolutely clean, was always sensitive and elegant.

What impressed most about his reading was his courageous determination not to hide detail through over-use of the damper pedal, which naturally led to any slips being made the more obvious. Yet rarely can the beautiful central larghetto have sounded so warmly refined, while the passion of the outer movements made us forget, for a while, that Chopin here perhaps bit off a little more than he could chew.

Stephen Pettitt

Moscow Chamber Orchestra/Tretyakov
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Two aspects of contemporary Russian musical life were apparent as the Moscow Chamber Orchestra's 16 string players dug their bows deep into Handel's Concerto Grosso in D, Op6 No 5. The first was that even the early skirmishes in the battle to establish authentic Baroque performance practice – see Malcolm Hayes next door – have yet to be fought in Moscow.

Hearing a Handel slow introduction played, just for once, without to clipped stutter of double-dotting made a pleasant change; although the ponderous treatment of the Minuet, with a dynamic scheme all too obviously imposed on the music, was less enjoyable.

The other, more important impression was that this is an outstanding ensemble by any standards, with strong, wiry brilliance in the violins and a ferocious precision right down the desks. The musicians performed Shostakovich's Chamber Symphony in C minor (otherwise known as the Eighth String Quartet, in an arrangement by this orchestra's former conductor, Rudolf Barshai) as though the music was thoroughly in their fingers, their minds and their hearts.

The transition from the sombre opening largo to the barbarous allegro, thrilling when just four players do it, was achieved with astounding impact here, and the allegro kept up a hurtling momentum throughout.

One of Barshai's most successful ploys is to give the fourth movement's powerful unison tune to all the strings except a solo violinist, who charts a lonely counter-melody. In this magnificent performance, during which all the string principals revealed rare tonal quality, the sorrow of this passage was overwhelming.

Though the rest of the evening could hardly maintain this intensity, there were notable delights. Victor Tretyakov, the orchestra's director, was the soloist in Mozart's Violin Concerto in D, K218, tossing off three substantial cadenzas that, stylistically, were way over the top, but greatly entertaining.

Haydn's "Farewell" Symphony was charmingly performed from candle-lit stands with the house lights down. Horn and double bass just had time to display their soloistic prowess before a staggered exit was achieved, with a choreographic elegance that would not have disgraced the Boshoi.

Richard Morrison

Academy of Ancient Music/Hogwood
Barbican Hall

The issue of authenticity in music of the 18th century and earlier has become too involved over the past few years. My own cheerfully heretical view it that the minutiae of such matters have loomed unnecessarily large at times: and besides, how can we be sure that nowadays we hear supposedly "authentic" timbres, phrasing and so on in the same way as an 18th-century audience would have done?

What really counts is whether or not a performance comes alive in quite general musical terms. The Academy of Ancient Music are hardly noted for disappointing in this area, and their account of Handel's *Messiah*, in the version "prepared" by Mozart in 1789, was characteristically vigorous from start to finish, with crisp rhythms and clean phrasing underpinned by Christopher Hogwood's usual buoyant tempi.

Handel buffs will have enjoyed comparing notes (literally) between this version and the composer's own. The stylistic gap turns out to be narrower than one might have thought – Mozart in his *Idomeneo* mood is not so far from Handel's innate grandeur – and some fairly radical rescoring therefore sounds curiously idiomatic. Mozart uses full woodwind and brass sections, including clarinets and trombones, and deploys these en masse with splendid *Don Giovanni*-like pungency in some of the choruses.

Elsewhere he doubles the solo vocal lines in the manner so familiar from his operas – flute an octave above, bassoon an octave below, then both together – or accompanies the soprano arias with muted strings (magical, this). Other things are harder to take, such as the extensive filling-out of the "Pastoral Symphony" in parallel thirds. But the little interpolated woodwind pendants in *"Ev'ry valley"*, however un-Handelian, sounded very pretty.

There was much fine singing throughout, from chorus (just 24 voices) and soloists alike. With no disrespect whatever to tenor Paul Elliott and bass Berthold Possemeyer, I felt this was one of those occasions where the ladies stole the show (entirely as Mozart would have wished). Margaret Cable's dark-hued mezzo was finely suited to the moments of Handelian-Mozartian pathos; Emma Kirkby sang with her usual jewel-like clarity and purity.

Malcolm Hayes

Theatre

Women All Over
King's Theatre, Edinburgh

Recently the Prime Minister of Sweden, Mr Olof Palme, appeared in a walk-on part as a policeman in a Feydeau farce. Given the major twist of John Wells' adaptation of the same author's *Le Dindon*, which is that most of the action consists of women pursuing men, it is tempting to speculate as to which role Mrs Margaret Thatcher could profitably assume.

Adrian Noble's production would assuredly benefit from such a fillip. Mr Noble is a very talented director of Shakespeare and modern comedy, but *Women All Over* lacks direction; and Mr Wells is a very funny man, but his script lacks punch. To skip from French to American: *Le Dindon* is a turkey.

There is yet more misused talent in the person of Bob Crowley, a notable stage designer whose set for the women's magazine office of the first act looks as if it might have been recycled from some dreary production of 20 years ago, with civil service filing cabinets and portraits of royalty on the walls. I accept that for narrative purposes *Mother's Realm* has to be a conservative publication, but the programme does specify the place as London, the time as "any minute now". Where are the chirpy nursery colours, where the male pin-ups?

The office staff are as unlikely as the decor: a lame-brain secretary and a dramatically redundant Person Friday serve only to introduce the brisk but not entirely capable editor (Eilcen Atkin) and the androgynous staff photographer (a sad waste of the estimable John Gordon-Sinclair).

The editor's tame house husband (Royce Mills), having already sacrificed his own career in order to play second fiddle to hers, now finds himself thrown off the magazine's board for writing a wimpish article about the satisfaction he derives from this domestic role reversal. Chased into the office by a sexually voracious writer of pornographic novels (Caroline Blakiston) he twitters, "so that's your game – rape!". Miss Blakiston, smacking her chops at the prospect of getting her hands on his apparently hyper-attractive buttocks, delivers some promising pastiche lines

There is consternation – pretty poorly achieved – when the magazine's American proprietor (Faith Brook) materializes out of the blue to revitalize the operation, closely followed by her husband (Joe Melia) who is out to reactivate a long-dormant affair with the editor. So man embraces woman after all – but then he, being a malapropistic psychiatrist with a funny German accent, is naturally off his rocker, even to the extent to carrying in his jacket pocket a pyjama trouser cord with which he attempts to hang himself in response to his loved-one's obduracy. Eventually, capitulating, she reserves the honeymoon suite in a West End hotel. So does the proprietor, for the purpose of recreation with a gigolo. So, too, does the novelist, in order to show the house-husband evidence of his wife's infedelity so that he will accept *her* advances. And yes, they all use the same name.

The second half trundles down a predictably desperate slope, interrupted by the appearance of a High Court judge of Bessie Bunter proportions (Pat Keen) and her deaf surgeon husband (Patrick Godfrey), and By Clive Wood as an exhausted leather-clad male model who dresses in a bizarre succession of costumes in his endeavours to give the proprietor value for money – a commodity which the audience will search for in vain.

Martin Cropper



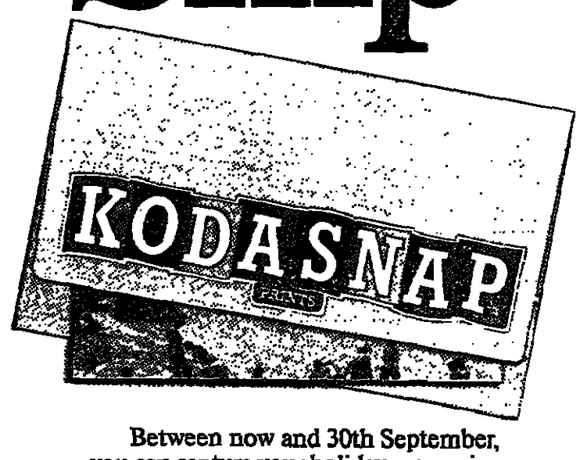
Marcel Marceau School of Mime Paris AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held in Paris on 27 September 1985 for entry into the next three year course starting in 1985. Students must be aged from 18-25. The course includes: Mime, Classical and Modern Dance, Acting, Fencing, Acrobatics. Diploma for best students.

Apply before 10 September by letter or phone to: Rita Dubois, Ecole Internationale de Mimodrame de Paris, 17 Rue Rene Boulanger, Paris 75010. Tel Paris 209 0588.

Audition Date 27 September 1985 only
All UK enquiries to Bill Beresford tel 01-637 4942.

Snap Snip



Between now and 30th September, you can capture your holiday memories with our Kodasnap prints.

With these prints, developed by a Kodak company, you can be sure you'll get high quality.

So come in and snap them up.

24 Jumbo prints ~~£3.49~~ now £2.99
36 Jumbo prints ~~£4.49~~ now £3.99

Film developing exclusively by a Kodak company.

WHSMITH

Offer valid until 30th September 1985. Offer does not include second prints or enlargements.

SPORTING DIARY

Simon Barnes

Owzat for a last knock?

The hooliganism problem raised its ugly head again with a pitch invasion in Scotland last week. A cricket match was held up for five minutes as a result. The incident happened at a Strathmore Union League match between Dundee High and Brechin, and was triggered by a rising ball from Rajiv Kulkarni, the Brechin professional and Indian Test hopeful. The delivery struck a Dundee High batsman, John Mitchell on the cheek and provoked an instant response from the crowd.

Lesley Mitchell, wife of the stricken batsman, marched on to the pitch, grabbed Kulkarni, demanding an apology, and refused to leave until one was made. Kulkarni was heard to mutter "I didn't mean to hit him". Eventually, Mrs Mitchell retreated to the boundary, to watch the rest of the game. The match had already been announced as John Mitchell's official farewell.

Wearing green

At the end of the season, artificial cricket pitches will be laid at eight cricket grounds, including the Test match grounds of Edgbaston and Trent Bridge. There is already one at Gloucestershire's ground at Bristol, and another at Lord's – though that one is only in a net. They won't actually be used for any of the four major competitions – not yet, anyway. "It could happen one day", said the Test & County Cricket Board spokesman, Peter Lush. "It is a matter being continually discussed". Tom Graveney, a consultant with a firm that supplies the artificial wickets, reckons that grass pitches are not what they were when he was a player. He argues that a good artificial wicket is a lot better than a bad turf wicket. Anyone who has been clobbered by a freak bouncer will be with him there.

Starters

The FA Cup starts today. Yes, I know it's still "summer", but the preliminary round of the Cup waits for no man, even though it is but 98 days since the final of the last competition. Nevertheless, today's fixture list is one to summon up the blood: Norton and Stockton Ancients v Shotton Comrades, Farsley Celtic v Seaham CW Red Star, Wellingborough Town v Wigston Fields: a feast for the most jaded of appetites. There are also two fixtures in which former Football League clubs oppose one another: Ashington (1912-1929) v Durham City (1921-1928) and Accrington Stanley, who departed in 1962, v Darwin (1891-1899).

● **Torquay United have made a memorable start to the new season. Someone broke into their ground before their first match and stole all their football boots.**

Wrong-footed

Lloyd McGrath, the Coventry City defender, has now played three times at the ground of the non-league club, Bedworth United. In the first game he dislocated a shoulder and needed surgery. The second time he twisted an ankle. In the third game a few days ago he was hit in the eye with the ball and ended up in hospital.

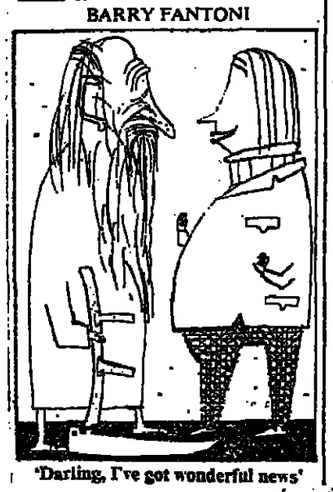
Dirty dozen

A thoroughly tasteless Australian called Billie Birmingham has just released a thoroughly tasteless and obscene record, under the name "The 12th Man", called *It's just not cricket*. Its scatalogical collection of schoolboy jokes actually attempts to make Richie Benaud himself look a bit of a galah (Aussie for idiot). I'm still laughing.

Inconvenient

This season I have hunted far and wide for examples of batsmen who have been dismissed "timed-out" in cricket matches. I have unearthed a batsman slumbering behind the sidescreen, a county side trapped in a traffic jam, and a fictitious rajah batting from a sedan chair. Now I learn that last weekend saw the first ever timed-out dismissal in a Minor Counties match. While Dorset were replying to Oxfordshire's 181, they lost three wickets in four balls. Next batsman in was Ian Saunders – but when the wickets started to tumble, he was marooned in the gents. The Dorset captain, realizing that time was ticking away, yelled in vain for someone to come out without pads to save the bowling. Saunders eventually appeared, only for the umpire to dismiss him on appeal under the two-minute ruling – Law 31, to be exact. Dorset's 12th man, Russell Jamieson, said that once the follow-on had been averted, his captain saw the funny side of it.

BARRY FANTONI



'Darling, I've got wonderful news'

The white writer's burden

by André Brink

As a South African writer I stand ashamed before the world. Through the colour of my skin, which is white, and through my language, which is Afrikaans, I am identified with an establishment which is relentlessly plunging the sub-continent of Africa into chaos and despair; whereas through every fibre of my being I abhor what is being perpetrated by my people.

What has been happening in South Africa during the past year, since the first violence in protest against the confidence trick by which the government drew a handful of coloureds and Indians into an unholy alliance against the vast majority of defranchised South Africans, has brought me closer to pessimism, as a person and as a writer, than I have ever been in my life. Yet I elect to stay in the country and to continue to write. Why?

Many of my reasons are admittedly obscure and emotional and have to do with the mystical bond, incomprehensible to many outsiders, that links true Africans, black and white, to their continent in the same way as Russians are bound to Mother Russia. But at least some of my reasons are more rational. They have to do with my conviction that what the Pretoria government is doing is by no means typical of the Afrikaner: that, in fact, it is just as much a betrayal of what Afrikaners can be as it is of the dreams of the black population.

I know that many Afrikaners, notably among the young generation, have reacted with despair and rage against the speech in which President Botha betrayed the hopes not only of the outside world but of peacefully inclined South Africans as well. Even if one were to give Botha the benefit of one's considerable doubt and accept that his speech was really based on good intentions, the most it would demonstrate would be how wholly and completely he and his government are out of touch with the mood in their own country.

"I have the facts", he repeatedly emphasized, "I know what I am saying": which makes the pathos of his ignorance even more glaring. Is he aware that over the past year there have been more acts of violence in South Africa than in Lebanon, and more than in Northern Ireland at the height of its turmoil? But what concerns me goes beyond statistics, even beyond politics. I am concerned by what apartheid *is* doing to *people* of flesh and blood, by the experience of friends and the friends of friends living in the black townships and in detention centres. Do I have reason to mistrust a good friend who tells me how, even before the state of emergency, police came driving through his township at night, firing shots at random in the deserted streets, in the hope of provoking people into action so that the police, nowadays assisted by the army, might be justified to react and add to the statistics of deaths, injuries and detentions?

How can I not believe a man detained under the emergency regulations and subsequently released (on his papers the blank following "Reason for arrest" had not even been filled in) who tells me about scores of people, including children aged 11 and 12, picked up at random on the streets, in pinball arcades or drinking places, herded together in conditions worse than those reserved for convicted criminals, and subjected to systematic torture (the "helicopter ride", beating with a rubber hose, arms pulled out of their sockets, electrodes connected to testicles, wet canvas bags pulled over heads, sjambok beatings . . .) often not even accompanied by interrogation, because, he says, it is purely a matter of torture for the sake of intimidation, not because of any suspicion of guilt?

South African law does not permit me to state these things as facts unless they have been checked with the police accused of committing them: so I offer them merely as examples of what is being said in the black townships – by people who may have more immediate exposure to the "facts" than P. W. Botha. But of course, he and his government, like that of the unlamented Ian Smith, are not concerned with such "facts": what concerns them is the perpetuation of white power. More, even, than that: the perpetuation of their own personal power, as became abundantly clear from the Botha speech.

Of course there are Afrikaners beset by a Masada complex: those who, like the band of roaring mice who are their present leaders, may prefer to die rather than share the power and the resources of the country in which they are a small minority. But there are other Afrikaners too: those who have inherited from generations of predecessors the humility to adapt to Africa and her rhythms, her demands and needs: those who have survived for three centuries not because they simply lorded it over exploited aborigines, but because they discovered where they truly belong: those who justifiably pride themselves on being Africa's first freedom fighters and who are prepared to grant others what they themselves have earned.

It is, at least partly, in the awareness of this heritage that I must shoulder the burden of being a writer. A burden, among other reasons, because it is so easy to denigrate or discount the writer in hazardous times like these. Certainly, the South African government has shown that it refuses to take writers seriously. (And it would be a grave mistake for writers to take themselves *too* seriously, to overestimate what they can do). But what they *can* do – the least they can do – in a situation of emergency, whether officially declared or not, is to ensure that the truth will out.

Nothing the government can do can suppress in the long run what is truly happening. Those men and women and children from the townships, those tortured detainees, will continue to bear witness. Some of them will write it down themselves. Others will transmit it to writers who will ensure, each in his own way, that eventually the truth will be told.

An amazing aspect of the present situation in South Africa is how imperturbably most whites still pursue their ordinary lives, with little sense of alarm or concern. This is the inevitable logic of apartheid: the erosion of conscience. Whites have no need to care about what happens "out there" in the townships. In spite of television, they do not know. They do not want to know. They do not need to know. But the truth must be told. Not just the "facts", but the truth.

As a writer I am fundamentally opposed to any form of violence: I have pledged allegiance to the word. But I know, and every new day I see it confirmed around me, that as the government frustrates and smothers words, the only language left to many people in South Africa is violence. this language must be translated into the words of those of us who have taken up the pen. It must also, specifically, be expressed in Afrikaans: before it, too, is subjected and interned by the instruments of state.

© André Brink, 1985.

The author is a novelist writing in English and Afrikaans; a new novel, The Ambassador *will be published in November by Faber & Faber.*

A walk on the mild side

Richard Holmes takes a leisurely stroll along literature's highways and byways, from Chaucer's pilgrims to Hazlitt and today's Pennine penmen



The prophet Isaiah pitches it pretty high. "For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands." But of course there are walks, and there are walks.

There is walking the dog, walking to the local, and the Sunday afternoon walk, just as there is Xenophon's *Walk Up* into Persia, the astronauts' walk on the moon, and Foster Powell's walk from London Bridge to Canterbury (and back) in under 24 hours. There is fell walking with Alfred Wainwright and donkey walking with Robert Louis Stevenson. There is the walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, and there is *I Walk on the Wild Side*. There is God's walk in the garden in the cool of the evening, and the Devil's Walk, as recorded in tripping verse by Southey and Coleridge.

And that is only the first step. There are *Long Walks* over the ridgeways with Adam Nicolson, and a *Short Walk* through the Hindu Kush with Eric Newby. There is Hookey Walker and there is Johnnie Walker (which, in its liquid form, A. N. Cooper, the Walking Parson, recommended be poured directly into the boot to prevent damp). There is walking out *with*, and walking out *on*, not to mention walking all over the dearly beloved. There is the Walrus's gastronomic walk with the Carpenter, and Lord Byron's lady who walked "in Beauty, like the night of cloudless climes and starry skies". There is Captain Hook's walking of the plank. There is the sponsored walk, the Olympic walk, and most miraculous of all, the baby's first walk (minimum, two steps).

There is in fact a whole world of walking for us, an infinite variety of upright locomotion, for what Shelley once called "this race of featherless bi-peds". Yet philosophically viewed and historically understood, I think we can say of walking – as De Quincey once said of murder – that it can properly be considered as one of the fine arts.

Anthropologists tell us that walking, like weapon-making, was one of the earliest achievements of homo sapiens; something that distinguishes us (if that is the right word) from the apes. Certainly in Britain, the ancient upland trackways that radiate out along the chalk escarpments from Stonehenge, are one of the first signs of civilization; and in the hands of the modern Countryside Commission, one of its last hopes. Yet walking in the true sense, walking freed from functional necessity, walking for its own sake – in short, Fine Walking – is a comparatively recent discovery. Indeed, it seems to me that it is probably not more than 200 years old.

It is true that the roads, or at least the green lanes and packhorse tracks, of late medieval England were thronged with pedestrian travellers. Quite apart from Chaucer's pilgrims, there would have been whole populations of pedlars, tinkers, mendicant friars, seasonal labourers, ballad-mongers (Autolycus, for one), fortune-tellers and plain tramps. The Tudor Vagrancy Acts frequently tried to put the boot in, but all these were really professional pedestrians, walking, in one way or another, on business and *faute de mieux*.

The amateur walkers – those who walked for the love of it, or the hell of it – were very few, and largely dismissed as eccentrics. Among them were Tom Coryate (1577-1617), who walked to Venice and back, and then hung up his shoes in the local parish church; Thomas Hobbes (1588-1617), the brutish philosopher who pounded the hills of Derbyshire in boots of Spanish leather laced up the side with black silk ribbons, while working on *Leviathan*; and best of all perhaps, Will Kemp, the amiable actor who played Shakespeare's fools, who in February 1600 walked – or rather, jigged – from Norwich to London, no doubt for a Green Room bet. In fact Will Kemp, as much as St Botolph, is probably the true spiritual patron of the British walker.

But it was not until the late 18th century, at precisely the moment when alternative transport in the form of mail-coaches, post-chaises and donkey-carts came into general public use, that Fine Walking came into the kingdom. It took two forms: the sporting walkers and the romantic ramblers. Their humorously opposed philosophies still underly much of our modern walking art.

The sporting walkers, the racing pedestrians or "peds" like Foster Powell and Captain Barclay, were true time and distance men, Homeric figures. They were dedicated to the art of speeding between fixed points, "strict heel and toe", often for considerable sums of money. Barclay, for instance, undertook the heroic and insane wager of walking 1,000 miles in 1,000 hours (a feat which required 42 days of consecutive, hourly, one-mile walks, which never allowed him more than 30 minutes sleep at any one time). He did it, and won logically enough, 1,000 guineas. Barclay pioneered, incidentally, the walker's loose flannel trouser, thick woollen socks and leather-soled boots.

The Captain also besported a woollen night-cap while on the march – the true ancestor of all those knitted bobble-hats that now strike terror deep into the heart of Pennine sheep. His avatars can be seen striding along Offa's Dyke, in line astern, or beating the heather with watch and compass along the Southern Upland Way. These latter-day heroes were characterized approvingly by the scholar and fearful pedestrian A. H. Sidgwick, as early as 1912, in his *Walking Essays*. They were: "Class A, twenty-four-miles-a-day men, who average about 4½ miles an hour on a good road, and stride 40 inches or over; they tend to be mug-wumps, mistrusters of rhetoric, lovers of the classic art and music and literature, of the distilled and clarified products of imagination and insight" – in which I fear he did not include malt whisky.

Sidgwick also came down firmly against the decadence of solitary walking (another distinction between sporting and romantic): "walking alone is, of course, on a much lower moral plane than walking in company . . . it is an abnormal function of life, a subject for pathology rather than physiology." The only occasion when he would allow such a solitary vice, was when the walker "had the Hump".

Nevertheless, the romantic ramblers were simultaneously making their indelible footmark in this first golden age of walking. Their leader was of course William Wordsworth, who may lay claim to having pioneered many of the more subtle aspects of the art: fell-walking in the Lakes and Yorkshire; walking by moonlight or starlight; completing one of the earliest recorded pedestrian tours of the Alps and Italy in 1790 (he carried his rucksack on his head, a practise not widely imitated); and most significant of all, writing books and poems – his *Guide to the Lakes*, and *The Prelude* – in which walking in close communion with nature forms such a central inspiration.

Actually "rambling" is partly a misnomer for the romantic writers afoot. They were athletic by any standards. Coleridge walked from Bridgwater to Bristol (41 miles or so) in one day, talking poetry all the way with young William Hazlitt; and returned alone the next day to Nether Stowey, "not much tired". He also walked from the Hartz mountains to Hamburg with only one change of shirt and a hot bread poultice on a sore joint, smelling so fruity that he was "in mortal fear" that he would meet a "blind and hungry" beggar on the way.

Hazlitt himself wrote one of the finest of all pedestrian essays; *On Going on a Journey*, in which he summarized all those solitary, humpish joys so frowned upon by Sidgwick, but which will surely find an answering echo even in the plastic, anoracked, bosom of the modern hiker. "Give me the clear blue sky over my head and the green turf beneath my feet, a winding road before me, and a three hours' march to dinner – and then to thinking! It is hard if I cannot start some game on these lone heaths. I laugh, I run, I leap, I sing for joy . . . The long-forgotten things, like 'sunken wrack and sumless treasuries', burst upon my eager sight, and I begin to feel, think, and be myself again." The spirit of Will Kemp would certainly have approved, heel and toe, cap and bell.

The history of fine walking since that golden age is now much better known through a delightful volume by Morris Marples entitled *Shanks's Pony* (1959), which is long overdue for republication. Moreover, the genial struggle between sporting and romantic philosophies will be found running like a leitmotif through many modern classics of the pedestrian genre.

It can be glimpsed in Hilaire Belloc, author of *The Path to Rome*, who observed, crisply that "the detestable habit of walking for exercise warps the soul". It can be traced through the marvellous books of John Hillaby, who wrote that perfect stepping-out sentence: "Britain is just small enough to be walked across in the springtime." Above all, it can be found in the works of Edward Thomas, who walked both for pure pleasure and alas, so often, for publisher's pay, and who composed the finest of all verse tributes to those small, eternal, English country roads that await all walkers, ramblers, hikers, or tramps, whatever their pace or persuasion.

Roads go on
While we forget, and are
Forgotten like a star
That shoots and is gone.

They are lonely
While we sleep, lonelier
For lack of the traveller
Who is now a dream only.

So I too shall stop dreaming, pack away this summer paper, and take to the hills again, but I shall start easy, by Botolph's Bridge, on Romney Marsh.

© Times Newspapers Limited, 1985

James Fergusson

No Robinson Crusoe?

Most people on holiday read trash. They never mean to: they line the bottoms of their Samsonites with good intentions, but they are probably the same good intentions as lay under the socks and suntan-oil last year, and like them they return, a bit soiled perhaps but unfulfilled.

The dedicated holiday-reading planner is a deliberate over-caterer. In the same way as he takes a surfeit of Marmite and marmalade, of kaolin and crossword-puzzles, he takes too many books: in case it rains, or he is kidnapped, or the plane never leaves Luton.

The books he reads when he is actually out there on his lilo are always the makeweights, the last-minute just-in-case extras, the detective stories, thrillers and airport romances, never the sombre oversized nineteenth-century French Penguin Classics or the double-decker Russian Everymans in their no-nonsense covers. The books one bought because one always wanted to read them become the most travelled books in one's baggage.

The greatest opportunity for exercise of fantasy in the literary good intentions department was offered by the late sainted Roy Plomley, *Desert Island Discs*' gentle major-domo, when in 1959 he added to his eight-record offer the chance to select one book for one's confinement other than the Bible and Shakespeare (which apparently grew on trees); a book which, it was understood, would stand up to repeated use in all moods and weathers, a book indeed that one might have to end one's life with.

The salutary prospect of deathbed reading flummoxed generations of his maroons. Quite content to listen for the rest of their days to two old Beatles singles, the title-song for *Half a Sixpence* and the Grenadier Guards Band playing "On Ilkla Moor Bah't At", they fought curiously shy of committing themselves to turning the pages of anything but manuals of astronomy and miscellaneous reference books.

Plomley's castaway catalogue, *Desert Island Lists* (Hutchinson, £6.95), enumerates every disc played, every book and luxury requested from January 1942 to June 1983. Perhaps when Plomley's producer, Derek Drescher, updates it to the last programme in May this year, he will append decent statistical analyses giving us the closing scores for Roget's *Thesaurus* and "Non, je ne regrette rien". Until then, only the roughest figures are available.

Of the top ten books named (many castaways were unable to name a book at all), three are reference works (two of them absurdly hefty), the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, the *Oxford English Dictionary* and the *Oxford Dictionary of Quotations*. Goodness knows why people were allowed to get away with the first two (30 fat volumes and 15). The *Britannica* (£1,069) won handsomely with 32 votes, eight ahead of its nearest contender.

The top four real books are remarkably respectable, the acme of good intentions: Tolstoy's *War and Peace*, Proust's *A la Recherche*, Gibbon's *Decline and Fall*, and (a compromise perhaps) *The Oxford Book of English Verse*. After them, however, there is a steady decline into Winston Churchill (the patriot's good intention), a collection of obvious children's books (the first resort of the non-reader), and a few statistically insignificant old favourites (Homer, Goethe, Plato).

For 26 years the ether crackled with intention. How many of the 24 avowed Tolstoians had read *War and Peace*? Had Ian Carmichael, Frankie Howerd, Princess Margaret, Egon Ronay and Franco Zeffirelli read it, each and every battle through? Ian Fleming asked for the German edition, Fitzroy Maclean for the Russian, which was showing off a bit.

The 21 Proustians are rather a grand lot (including Frederick Ashton, Cyril Connolly, John Gielgud and A. L. Rowse), but I wonder about Penelope Keith: all the way from *Du Côté de Chez Swann* to *Le Temps Retrouvé*?

The 20 Gibbonians (Jeremy Thorpe et al) are a mixed bunch by contrast: open-faced and full of promises. Much more down-to-earth were Louis Armstrong, Barbara Cartland, Lady Diana Cooper, Diana Dors, William Douglas-Home, Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, Jan Morris, Otto Preminger and Barbara Woodhouse, who all cheerfully chose books they had written themselves. Of the 1,400 plus maroons, just how many, on rescue, would have brought their books back unread?

DESERT ISLAND TOP TEN

1. *Encyclopaedia Britannica*
2. Tolstoy: *War and Peace*
3. Proust: *A la Recherche du Temps Perdu*
4. Gibbon: *The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*
5. *The Oxford Book of English Verse*
6. *The Oxford English Dictionary*
7. *The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations*
8. Tolkien: *The Lord of the Rings*
9. Shaw: *Plays*
10. Carroll: *Alice in Wonderland* = Grahame: *The Wind in the Willows*

I have never heard of anyone travelling in the ordinary way with the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, but I suppose there is no reason why you shouldn't, if you are prepared to pay excess baggage fees. (Since it comes in two parts these days, you could always leave one part, the *Macropaedia* or the *Micropaedia*, behind.)

The *O.E.D.* weighs abut 120 lb, but you could take the Compact Edition (20 lb 8 oz), if you didn't mind losing your sight. The average price of the top ten, if one buys usable editions, is a startling £185, while a complete Proust and a complete Shaw are now unobtainable except in the secondhand market. The cheapest Gibbon comes in six volumes at £6.50 each: the one bargain on the list is *War and Peace*, still available in various editions at under £10.

In short, only if one was on BBC expenses could one afford to be so prodigiously self-indulgent. For my own part, if I were going on holiday now, I would be tempted to pack Roy Plomley's *Desert Island Lists*: a proper book to be marooned with.

© Times Newspapers Limited, 1985

Philip Norman

Just like Mimi still makes

New York

I well remember my first encounter with pizza. It occurred around 1953, in a green-tiled, multi-mirrored Forte's milk bar just off Piccadilly Circus. "Try a pizza", the notice challenged my grandmother and me. We discussed how it might be pronounced, could not agree, decided we wouldn't like it anyway, and settled (as we always did in the end) for a cindery Welsh rarebit.

After two years in New York, I must admit that a good slice of Sicilian, sprinkled with Parmesan and black pepper, beats any Welsh rarebit even my grandmother could make. Sicilian pizza comes, not in the usual bendy spear shape, but in a yellow and scarlet wedge as thickly fortifying as a plate of lasagna. The best I have tasted comes from Mimi's Napoli pizza place on Lexington Avenue at 84th Street.

Mimi's would win no prizes for decor. There is a street counter, an inside counter, a price-list, a notice advising one not to ask for credit, a huge old blackened oven, a signed photograph of Neil Sedaka, and a six or seven foot stack of flat white cardboard boxes folded ready for orders to go.

Behind the counter, three floury men with imperfect English make pizza from early morning to past midnight. It is an interesting process to watch, especially the part where the maker plunges both arms into his dough almost to the elbow, then lifts the whole large, elastic mass and twirls it about with the passion of Sir Malcolm Sargent conducting Land of Hope and Glory. The mass is pummelled flat again, spread with scarlet paste, tipped on to a wooden bat and slammed into the oven. No food is faster – or fresher.

Pizza is the New Yorker's universal palliative. The diners at Mimi's lightweight plastic tables include starchy old Yorkville ladies, steel-haired captains of industry, art directors on glossy magazines. The most image-conscious preppies feel no qualm in ordering "a slice to go", taking it to the nearest street doorway, folding its wide triangle into an oozing prow and lowering it into their mouths, boa constrictor style.

The place is always busy, always cheerful, thanks to the floury men who, somehow, combine their dough-making calisthenics with slapping together meatball "heroes," cutting up finished pizzas with sharp little metal wheels, fulfilling esoteric requests for added peppers or anchovies, and providing the invariable accompaniment (favoured even by old ladies and millionaire industrialists) of soda in outsize paper cups crunching with pack ice.

Once, as I stood there in running kit, screwing up my courage to order a meatball "hero" – Bruce Springsteen being rumoured to have grown up on them – one of the floury men thrust an enormous paper cup into my hand.

"I didn't order this," I said, in my instant New York rant. "Free gift," he said, pointing to a sign that read "Mimi's 3rd anniversary. Free soda with all orders over $1."

It wasn't free lunch – but it was something.

Mimi delivers – as all competitive restaurants, coffee shops and delis must – by means of black boys riding bicycles fitted with metal boxes at reckless speed against the traffic and through red lights. The turnover among these provender-bearing kamikazis is as quick as that of a pizza on its spatula. Waiting at the counter one night for my "Sicilian to go" I received an inkling why.

A delivery boy in an outsize Rastafarian bonnet had been dispatched with a boxed whole pepperoni pizza to a wealthy apartment on East 80th Street. He returned with a tale of disaster which, to lend verisimilitude, reached the ears of the floury men *in medias res* . . .

". . . she had some'pn lyin' right in my way, man. I couldn't see it . . . I just left it where it fell man. I couldn't help 'bout her couch. I just turned tail and ran . . ."

Brief questioning elicited the details. The delivery boy had walked into the customer's sitting room, tripped over something and let go of the pizza, which had flown from its box and landed, tomato side down, on a white velvet couch.

The floury men smiled indulgently. But, as the delivery boy knew – as I did also after two years in New York – only one question could be asked about a pepperoni pizza left lying face down on a customer's white velvet couch. The floury men asked it almost in chorus:

"Did you get the money?"

© Times Newspapers Limited, 1985

كتاب من الأهل

صكذا من الاصل

THE TIMES

P.O. Box 7, 200 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8EZ. Telephone: 01-837 1234

BUMPING TOWARDS THE SUMMIT

The furore over Soviet use of chemicals against western diplomats should be regarded by neither side as a reason for postponing the November summit between President Reagan and Mr Gorbachov. Expert opinion suggests that the threat to the health of foreigners in Moscow was not severe, and the practice has probably now ceased thanks to the publicity.

Moscow-based diplomats certainly deserve their hardship allowances however – even if some of them apparently are sceptical of these specific allegations. In 1976 Washington complained that Soviet agencies were bombarding the US Embassy with dangerous microwave radiation, presumably to interfere with communications equipment. Then there was the case of the German electronics expert who annoyed the KGB by cleansing the West German embassy of monitoring devices. He was shot in the buttocks with nitrogen mustard gas from which he recovered only after a long and painful illness. The ricin poison pellet which killed Mr Georgi Markov, the Bulgarian writer working for BBC external broadcasting, was believed to be a KGB product.

Western secret services, of course, also stand accused of plotting dirty tricks. The CIA considered poisoning Fidel Castro's cigars, blowing him up with an exploding seashell, and contaminating his swimming gear with tuberculosis bacilli – assassination plots that were dropped when it emerged that they did not have the support of the US President. The Soviet leaders betray fewer qualms and greater iniquity however. Past leaders are known to have awarded medals to assassins, and being chairman of the KGB did not stop Mr Andropov becoming supreme leader, or the present chairman, General Viktor Chebrikov, reaching full membership of the ruling Politburo.

This direct responsibility means that Soviet leaders cannot convincingly deny all knowledge of their agents' dirty tricks. By insisting in public that the KGB fulfils a purely honourable function, they further reduce what little credibility they retain in international negotiations.

Yet precisely because we know these things are a constant feature of East-West relations, it is argued by some that Washington cannot be serious about the Geneva summit to have made such a fuss about a relatively minor matter. Timing is certainly important: Mr Khrushchev killed the 1960 Paris summit by demanding an apology from President Eisenhower over the U-2 spy flights which actually began years earlier. There is still time to clear the air by November. Last week *Pravda* devoted half its back page for three days to a counter-espionage account, blaming the CIA for subverting Soviet citizens. It is in this context of unceasing propaganda warfare that the latest incident should be regarded, not as a torpedo deliberately aimed at sinking all hope of improved contacts.

All too often advocates of a new detente demand that western officials play down or ignore Soviet misdeeds to ensure an improved atmosphere for negotiations. Others insist that it is wrong for the West to respond to Soviet military developments by producing even more powerful counter weapons, and dismiss as mere propaganda the Reagan administration's arguments for its anti-satellite testing programme. These calls for polite silence are as misplaced as the demands of some senators that the US Embassy in Moscow be closed in protest at the threat to diplomats' health. Only a realistic view of Soviet practices, coupled with clear determination to negotiate over the central issues dividing the superpowers, can lead to a successful summit and offer some hope of genuine improvement in relations.

LATIN TEMPERS COOL

Elected governments now rule in Latin America to an extent that no observer would have dared to predict four years ago. There has been a peaceful transfer of power in beleaguered Peru. Bolivia has elected that country's most veteran civilian politician president once again. Generals Stroessner and Pinochet, Doctor Castro and President Duvalier are the only dictators left. Not one of these seems likely to stop governing soon, so one can reckon that the vein of euphoria produced in the region by the return of democracy or by the confirmation of democratic practices has been temporarily exhausted. A second phase of debt negotiations casts a shadowed gloom, and the prospects of peace in central America remain uncertain.

The last three years have certainly been unusually eventful in Latin America: the Falklands War, the onset of the debt crisis, the end of military government in Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay, the successive crises in El Salvador, the formation of the Contadora group, new attempts to make peace with old guerrillas in Colombia and a new guerrilla threat in Peru, the hardening of United States' policy in central America, the invasion of Granada, United States' indifference to or loss of influence in the south . . . This is a long list of novelties but, all the same, the importance of these phenomena has been hard to analyse: Latin America has defaulted on debts before, it has seen many false dawns. Events are not the same as changes; how much has really changed?

Doctor Castro's recent convening in Havana of a colloquium on the debt question did not produce any startling pronouncements. The major debtors stayed away, few important politicians attended, though most welcomed the occasion or the invitation to state their particular views. The event was nonetheless a significant one. It showed the Cuban leader for the present to be anxious to give no sign of wishing to subvert his neighbours; wishing rather to join with them in fierce discussion of matters of common concern. The solutions he himself proposed were propagandistic and utopian, but the atmosphere was not exactly revolutionary. In that last respect the conference matched the circumstances of Latin America and the Caribbean.

First, democratically elected governments are hard to subvert in Latin America as elsewhere. Those who make the attempt are highly unlikely to succeed and therefore unlikely to enjoy Cuban support. Elected Latin American governments and Doctor Castro usually find it mutually advantageous nowadays to establish normal relations. The days when Mexico alone had diplomatic relations with revolutionary Cuba are long past, and the most recent Latin American head of state to visit Havana was the President of Ecuador, a conservative whose views on the debt question are of impeccable financial orthodoxy. Dr Castro's predominant personal interest has long been international relations – hence the "technocratization" of the Cuban economy on Soviet bureaucratic lines – and his present convenience obviously does not lie in isolation. All the same, he is responding to changed circumstances, in which guerrilla warfare and terrorism should be seen more and more as strategies of the past.

In Central America the United States' determination to resist the guerrilla overthrow of the Salvadorian government was undoubtedly a turning point, though some observers on both sides of the conflict believe that if the determination slackens the guerrilla strategy can and will be simply revived. Divisions in the Salvadorian opposition show that its more lucid members question such a conclusion, and developments in Colombia and more recently in Peru suggest that the problem is more complex, more political. Some guerrillas can be induced to engage in talks – some find it an opportunity impossible to refuse. The Colombian peace process has been incomplete, statistically disappointing in reducing violence and marred by mistakes and omissions, but it has demonstrated the limitation of guerrilla support and capacity. It has been worth the effort, and criticisms point toward a need to improve it not to abandon it. Similar processes are likely to bring about the same results elsewhere. The numbers of guerrillas remain small: outside central America their significance lies most in their damaging economic impact particularly in Peru, and in the political torpor induced anywhere by the successive acts of ineffectual violence. The largest guerrilla force in Latin America at present may well be the Nicaraguan Contras. Their economic impact is certainly damaging, their political effectiveness has yet to be proved.

For the majority of the inhabitants of Latin America the most significant "guerrilla warfare" will be that fought by individual debtor governments with the region's creditors. It will go on for a long time. Here too the Havana meeting had its significance, though not all that its convenor intended. If any consensus was apparent it was that, with the degree of increased communication that comes from common democratic origin, each government will seek its best advantage. The performances of the major debtors since 1982 have not been altogether lacking in realism, decision and courage, qualities not so apparent in the previous, less democratic decade.

HALLEY'S HOLIDAY

The last time Halley's Comet got as close as it is today, *The Times* simply recorded the excitement of the astronomers on mountain tops: it gave a column to the scientific minutiae, and made no reference to the unscientific powers of doom-foretelling that Halley's possesses. There was no reference to the Star of Bethlehem or to the light in the sky at the Battle of Hastings, or to the bringer of famine, plague and wars that this occasional visitor is said to be.

We were busier that day commenting on the issues of the moment. There was a long leader on the flight of the Dalai Lama from the Chinese hordes in Lhasa: a consideration of the Parliamentary debate about free trade, unemployment and Ireland; and an entertaining discourse on funds for the arts and literature.

Seventy-six years later as the "dirty snowball" approaches for its rendezvous, plus ca change. It is rather like the man on holiday, who spends his time fretting on the beach about what is going on at the office behind his back, and which of his schemes are being spoiled, only to find on his anxious return that there has been no change, for the better, or worse.

We are paying a bit more attention to the snow-ball this time, though. In America alone, some 80 companies are selling tens of thousands of souvenirs – coins, medals, travel bags, pendants, posters, pencils, T-shirts, hair glitter, gym bags, running shoes, cocktail mixes, breakfast cereals, caps. No-one has yet started selling, as someone did successfully in 1910, gas masks against the "poisonous clouds" the comet's tail would leave in its wake for us to plunge into, but there are some months to go for that yet.

If there were a man on a celestial beach, now winging his way back to us after his 76-year holiday, anxious to see what we have been up to while his back has been turned, he must be rather disappointed as he scans us through his telescope at three hundred million miles (assuming he can hold it steady while travelling at 53,000 miles per hour). He will see a lot more T-shirts with his name on them being worn in some parts of the world, and he can see that some parts of the globe then coloured a British pink have now gone a natural colour. He will see more stuff orbiting the Earth, and some ominous probing bits of machinery flying in his direction to give him a once-over.

But when he gets within closer range and starts as it were to read the earthly fine print, he will find us just the same in many other ways. The faces and the furniture may have changed, or been rearranged, but we still mess on or manage regardless. And that is a bad omen for a portent.

The man on Halley's Comet ought to be disappointed to find that humans are still being inhuman, or inhumane, and that we have got on pretty well without a regular smack in the face from him to put us in our place. Having given us a pretty trouble-free time, disaster-wise, in 1910, he might well order up a double-dose this time. A plague of creepy-crawlies plus an English collapse in the last Test, for instance. Or, if he was really vicious, perhaps he would chuck in the worst summer we have had for many a year, ruined holidays, unhappy farmers and the lot. On second thoughts, if that is the way he is playing it already, we had better lay in those gas masks too.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Growing fears on epidemic illness

From Professor R. D. Brittain

Sir, Your recent correspondence (August 16) concerning the threat to the Public Health Laboratory Service and the Communicable Diseases Surveillance Centre prompts me to write concerning a larger threat.

Today's *Times* (August 22) has a front page headline, "Epidemic threat to children". Your leader, "Aid for Aids (August 16), using meiosis, says "... the movements of the DHSS so far look tardy and less than adequate."

These three items and many other headline-grabbers, such as the recent scare over cervical cytology, legionnaires' disease, deaths from an epidemic of methicillin-resistant *staphylococcus aureus*, etc ought to be sounding alarm bells.

To me, as a district medical officer responsible for the health of my community, they are saying that infectious disease and *non-infectious diseases* are undergoing change and, in some instances, increasing.

This implies to me the need to strengthen and broaden the nation's ability to collate and interpret epidemiologic and health information.

Instead the Government has had a recommendation to devalue and effectively disband the only service which we have on a national basis. To do this is a danger to the nation's health.

The Government should reject that recommendation. It should instead accept the recommendation of the royal commission on the NHS that there should be a national health information and epidemiology unit.

Such a unit could begin to unscramble the inefficient mess that health information and epidemiology have gotten into. It could develop an efficient, responsible approach to enable the Government to:

1. Accept a strategic plan for the development of a comprehensive integrated phased health information system.
2. Budget for the system.
3. Control it through the national health information and epidemiology unit.

Sincerely,
ROGER BRITTAIN,
District Medical Officer,
North Warwickshire Health Authority,
Newtown Road,
Nuneaton,
Warwickshire.
August 22.

From the President of the Royal College of Physicians and Dr A. M. Geddes

Sir, We write in support of the statement made by Mr John Patten, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Health, as reported in *The Times* (August 22).

Whooping cough is a serious and potentially fatal disease of childhood. More than half of a group of children studied in Birmingham developed complications including convulsions and pneumonia, which can cause permanent damage to the brain or to the lungs. Recent studies in London and in Birmingham have demonstrated that the illness can persist for up to four months, lead to behaviour disturbance and impose great strain on families.

Before the introduction of an effective vaccine, large epidemics of whooping cough occurred in England and Wales involving up to 180,000 children each year. Between 1945 and 1954 5,087 children died from whooping cough in this country, i.e., an average of about 500 deaths each year.

When the vaccine became generally available in 1956 there was a dramatic reduction in notifications of the disease and also in deaths. However, ill-informed publicity directed against the vaccine in the mid-1970s led to a fall in vaccine uptake from over 80 per cent in 1975 to less than 30 per cent in 1978.

Mr Patten's statement refers to the epidemics that recurred as a result. This contrasts markedly with the United States, where almost all children are protected against whooping cough and where the annual number of cases between 1975 and 1983 has never been more than 2,200.

Recent press comment has confused two separate issues: one is the very legitimate case for an increase in compensation for children who have suffered permanent damage as a result of adverse reactions to *any* vaccine. An entirely separate issue is the necessity for continuing immunising children against whooping cough.

There is much evidence to suggest that parents in general are not well-informed about the consequences of failure to provide immunisaton against whooping cough; we urge that this information is widely publicised and that all encouragement should be given to programmes aimed at full immunisation against this still serious infection.

Yours sincerely,
R. HOFFENBERG, President,
A. M. GEDDES, Chairman, College Committee on Communicable and Tropical Diseases,
Royal College of Physicians,
11 St Andrews Place,
Regent's Park, NW1.
August 22.

Driver-only trains

From Mr R. M. S. Lincoln

Sir, There is, understandably, some concern about a possible reduction in passenger safety on one-man operated trains, illustrated by the letters published last Friday (August 16). This association represents more than 200 regular travellers on the only line where such trains are actually in service, and our comments may be of value.

Before the new trains were introduced, we expressed similar doubts about safety to British Rail, but after more than two years we are not aware of any instances where passengers have suffered potential or actual harm. The random presence of rail staff carrying out ticket checks, but without any involvement in the actual operation of the trains, provides some degree of reassurance, and is a measure we support.

It should also be remembered that on many commuter trains there are no corridors between coaches, and the guard's presence is of little practical benefit.

Yours faithfully,
R. S. LINCOLN, Chairman,
Bedford Commuters' Association,
9 Huntsman's Way,
Milton Ernest,
Bedford.
August 19.

From Mr E. D. Roberts

Sir, As a regular user of the Bedford to St Pancras/Moorgate service of one-man operated trains, I cannot allow some of the assertions of Mr Hope (August 20) and Mr Myers (August 21) to pass without scrutiny.

Procedures in emergencies are being reviewed after a fire earlier this year in one of these trains near Harpenden, in which passengers experienced difficulty in climbing out of the sole available exit at the front of the train. Even so, the real problem with these trains lies not in the area of emergencies, but in situations of inconvenience falling short of emergencies.

These situations used to be dealt with by the guard and one used to attract his attention in non-corridor trains by the simple expedient of holding the compartment door wide open at a station, rather than by pulling the communication cord.

It is difficult on the "Bedpan" line to communicate with the driver, other than by pulling the cord in an emergency, so that he can deal with matters for which he is responsible, including the absence or excess of heating, the total or almost total absence of light on a line with many tunnels and the failure of the automatic doors.

My experience is that it is impossible to persuade ex-guards acting as ticket collectors to deal with such matters or even to tell the driver promptly about them, even though some faults can in practice be rectified in seconds, rather than minutes.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
DAVID ROBERTS,
7 Nunnery Stables,
St Albans,
Hertfordshire.
August 21.

MI5 and the BBC

From Mr David Mathieson

Sir, Your leader today (August 20) on MI5 and the BBC, while it avoids the hysteria prevalent elsewhere, is mistaken in scorning the potential effects of infiltration.

We can see these by looking at the practices within Unesco and other bodies where Soviet-bloc agents are active. Quite simply, they act like successful executives in any other bureaucratic organisation where office politics are more important than quantifiable achievements.

They sit on committees and formulate policies. They set agendas, make editorial decisions, advance some projects and restrain others. They look at the personnel records of their junior staff, and promote their supporters and sympathisers.

They read all the snippets of background information not normally published, including the names of informants, and use their knowledge to their advantage. And they have a comfortable, respectable umbrella under which to pursue their private projects.

Do foreign agencies try to infiltrate the BBC? Intelligent people are paid by their masters to do so, and presumably do a reasonably competent job. Is MI5 the organisation to stop them? We have no information (but when they next catch someone the same people who are protesting at their present involvement will condemn their failure to act sooner.)

Does it matter if the BBC is infiltrated? It would affect the whole direction and ethos of the organisation, and corrupt the single greatest influence on the formation of public opinion today.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID MATHIESON,
24 The Parade,
Epsom,
Surrey.
August 20.

Future of Tabley House

From the Secretary of The Georgian Group

Sir, Your report (August 17), entitled "Action urged on houses at risk", briefly mentioned Tabley House in Cheshire. It did not, however, mention that the house, a major work by John Carr, of York, built between 1761 and 1767, contains a most splendid collection of pictures and furniture. This collection, mostly gathered by the first Lord de Tabley, is also at risk.

Tabley and its collections passed into the possession of Manchester University after the death, some ten years ago, of Colonel John Leicester-Warren, whose family had lived there since the 13th century. The house and estate were sold to the university by the colonel's executors on the understanding that the school then occupying a large part of the house would be permitted to continue. Now the school has closed and the university refuses to discuss plans for the future of the house and collections.

The only major alteration carried out to Carr's fine house was the construction (c.1810) of a beautiful picture gallery to designs by Thomas Harrison. The late Christopher Hussey (writing 60 years ago) described this gallery, with paintings still hanging in their original positions, as "a complete survival of Regency taste". It remains so today. However, one painting, the great Turner of "Tabley: A windy day" has been in store since the university acquired the house.

The university is being strangely secretive about its plans for what is one of the finest country houses in the North-west. What is to happen to the house and what, we ask, is to happen to the Turner and the other pictures?

Yours faithfully,
ROGER WHITE, Secretary,
The Georgian Group,
37 Spital Square, E1.
August 22.

Profit and honour on Notting Hill

From Lady Norman

Sir, As our local Notting Hill Gate Carnival approaches it might be right to give it serious thought. Maybe our carnival is not yet in the long tradition of the European carnivals such as the Battle of Flowers in Nice or the religious processions on the Continent, but it has a distinct flavour of its own brought from the Caribbean and Africa – the gallant ethnic groups that gave birth to the idea some years ago may now be feeling overwhelmed by its success and popularity.

The police estimate the carnival visitors from home and abroad number over 250,000 people on each of the two days. It has a high standard of entertainment which needs colossal organisation and planning. Seventy bands on floats are listed for this year, performing at various times and at various points and costume designs and musical events all need co-ordination.

Translated into terms of trade of all kinds, including transportation, the pressure of such numbers constitutes a sizeable commercial gain to the local area and London generally. All this is in no way reflected financially in what the pioneers get to "put the show on the road".

The ethnic backroom boys and girls have carried the heat and burden, sometimes facing opposition and in the early days suffered violence from "baddies" coming in from other boroughs. They have battled on regardless, backed by teamwork from local councils, churches of all denominations, police and voluntary agents.

Let us give it to them, they have made us all laugh together and at each other; not easy in a rather stand-offish British community! We have learnt to jig a dance up the aisles: police have been seen to sway in rhythm and cast a blind eye on a fallen helmet used as a football by happy youngsters. Without the ethnic pioneers, black, brown and white, we should have no carnival.

With the Honours list in preparation by the powers that be I suggest some be remembered for bringing gaiety into our live on dark days. This would be a way of saying thank you and a recognition of hard work.

Yours faithfully,
PRISCILLA NORMAN,
Aubrey Lodge,
Aubrey Road, W8.
August 16.

Room for improvement?

From Mr A. G. Yates

Sir, Mr Bromage (August 17) is quite right that in this country we do not have the family-run hotels which in France provide an all-day service of tea, coffee etc.

I travel over a large part of south-west England and am often looking for just a good cup of coffee at around 10 am. It is often difficult and sometimes impossible to find any sort of establishment serving this simple requirement. Motorway service areas and, on other roads, franchised coffee shops are few and far between.

What we do have plenty of are public houses but they are always closed at this time. Is it against the law for pubs to open earlier and just serve coffee and snacks? If so, it is high time the law was changed.

Yours sincerely,
A. G. YATES,
Elwyn,
Cownhayne Lane,
Colyton,
Devon.
August 17.

Pupil polymath

From Professor Margaret Gowing, FBA

Sir, You reported last week (April 13) an SDP proposal for a crash programme to end the skills crisis in high technology electronics. It included broadening the educational base so that all school students up to the age of 18 would be obliged to take mathematics, science, technical and vocational subjects in addition to any arts and humanities studies.

In writing a British Academy memoir of an eminent economist, G. C. Allen, I have found the report of his last term at King Henry VIII School, Coventry, in 1918. This shows that at 18 he was studying divinity, English, history, Roman history, French, German, Latin, arithmetic, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, chemistry, physics and drawing.

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET GOWING,
History Faculty,
Indian Institute,
Broad Street,
Oxford.
August 19.

Singular or plural

From Mr Robert H. Foster

Sir, Sarah Hogg states (August 9) that the central issue of the Chancellor's Green Paper on personal tax "is whether married couples should be one or two in the eyes of the Inland Revenue".

Rightly the Chancellor wishes to treat married couples as independent persons for the purpose of income tax. He ought also to be considering treating them as separate persons for the purpose of capital gains tax, as indeed they are already so treated in regard to capital transfer tax.

Yours faithfully,
R. H. FOSTER,
Winterburn Grange,
Near Skipton,
North Yorkshire.
August 12.

Little-known phrases

From Mr Alan Neame

Sir, In my copy of the phrasebook *Irish at Home* (2nd edition, 1922) bearing the imprimatur of Edward, Archbishop of Dublin, occurs the conversational gambit, "Another spy has been shot in Cork."

Admonished to get each phrase off by rote and while reciting it to visualise the idea or meaning, I am now proficient enough to say: "I met your first cousin Brian a few days ago and we had a long chat. It is he who is looking well, God bless him, although he is 'on the run' for some time past and the world knows that is no joke."

In conclusion: "Goodbye now, and if you do not write to me immediately I won't be friends with you."

Yours faithfully,
ALAN NEAME,
Trafalgar House,
Selling,
Nr Faversham,
Kent.
August 16.

ON THIS DAY

AUGUST 24 1922

Michael Collins (1890 - 1922) was one of the Irish leaders who signed the peace treaty with the British government in December 1921 after the War of Independence. The treaty was accepted by a small majority in the Dail Eireann and a provisional government with Collins as chairman was set up. Opposition to the treaty led by De Valera intensified and in June 1922 civil war broke out. Collins became Commander-in-Chief of the Free State Army; on August 22 he was killed by Irregulars in an ambush.

COLLINS'S LAST FIGHT.

BRAVE STRUGGLE WITH REBELS.

AMBUSH IN COUNTY CORK

General Collins lost his life in the wild country that lies between Macroom and Bandon. A few days ago he left Dublin to visit the front in West Cork. In Cork City the inhabitants went wild with enthusiasm when they found him among them. With a small party he set out from the city to make the tour. Apparently his enemies knew of his coming and laid their plans.

The ambush took place at Bealnabla, within a mile and a half of the village of Crookstown. Accompanied by members of the Headquarters Staff, General Collins left Cork at 6 o'clock on Tuesday morning to inspect military positions in South Cork, escorted by a light armoured car and a lorry containing soldiers. The party altogether numbered about twenty, and included General Sean O'Connell, the officer commanding the bodyguard, and Major-General Dalton, commanding the troops in Cork. A dispatch rider preceded the large Leyland touring car containing General Collins, Major-General Dalton, and other officers; then followed a whippet armoured car, an ordinary open tender bringing up the rear.

The party visited nearly all the posts in South Cork occupied by the National Army, taking in Skibbereen, Rosicarbery, and Clonakilty in the course of their tour. Owing to the interruption of communication by the main roads the party, towards evening, took a roundabout route to Cork from Bandon. Bealnabla, which is about eight miles from Macroom, is south of the main road on the south side of the river Lee, and is in a wild rugged, hilly district, right away from the main roads.

While travelling along a by-road near the village, about 6.30, the party was attacked without warning by about two hundred Irregulars. One of the first bullets fired very nearly struck the Commander-in-Chief before his car stopped, missing him by only an inch or two. The party pulled up, hastily dismounted and General Collins ordered his men to take cover at the fences on both sides of the road. In the first outburst of firing the dispatch-rider in front of the party was hit and badly wounded in the lungs. He was removed to a place of temporary safety, and then the party settled down to reply to the fire of the attackers.

In a few minutes the attack developed into a sharp fight, which lasted for the greater part of an hour. It was in the last stages of the fight, after a large number of the Irregulars had been killed or wounded, that General Collins received his fatal wound. The Irregulars were on the point of retreating, defeated in spite of their overwhelming numbers and better position, and the firing had become much less intense, when suddenly General Collins collapsed and fell, struck in the head by a bullet. Although mortally wounded, he still fired from the ground, encouraging his men by his unflinching bravery. In a feeble voice he asked for Major-General Dalton, and this officer and General Sean O'Connell, both greatly distressed, comforted their dying chief. They whispered a few prayers and recited the Act of Contrition before General Collins died. His last words as he lay on the roadside, knowing he had only a minute or two to live, were "Forgive them."

COURT AND SOCIAL

The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the Federation Equestre Internationale, will attend FEI Bureau meetings in Seoul, South Korea, from October 6 to 12.

Princess Anne will attend the Horse of the Year Show at Wembley, on October 7.

Princess Anne will attend the Trafalgar Night dinner on board HMS Victory, Hampshire, on October 21.

The Duke of Gloucester will open the Kensington Housing Trusts's Evelyn Fox Court, London, on October 18.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Army Educational Corps, will dine with the corps at Eltham Place, on October 18.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Commandant-in-Chief, St John Ambulance Brigade in Wales, will attend a service of rededication at St Mary's, Welshpool, on October 19 and visit the Victoria Memorial Hospital and Llyshafren Home for the Elderly, Welshpool.

Princess Anne's engagement to attend the 120th birthday party of the Kensington Society Ladies' Discussion Group on October 3 has been cancelled.

The President of Sierra Leone is 80 today.

Services tomorrow: twelth Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: Sung Euch 11, Sumsion in G, Here O my God (Whitlock), Rev A M Allchin; Choral E 5.15, Byrd, Dyson in D, A. Faire is the heaven (Harris).
YORK MINSTER: HC 8, 8.45; Sung Euch 10.15, Mass (Richard Madden), Jesu the very thought of thee (Balfour-Gardiner), Canon John Toy; M 11.30, TD (Britten in C), Jub (Britten in E flat), E 4, Collegium Regale (Howells), A, Save us O Lord (Bairstow), Canon Michael Bowering.
ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC 8; M 10.30, Jub Collegium Regale (Howells), TD, Rev Graham Routledge; HC 11.50, Sumsion in F, Int, O most merciful (Bullock); E 3.15, The Service for Trebles (Weelkes), A, Aria, Mein Erlöser (in Schaffer Choral, Es danke Gott, und lobe dich (Bach).
WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC 8; M 10.30, Collegium Regale (Howells), Christ whose glory fills the skies (Darke), Rev Anthony Harvey; Sung Euch 11.40, Missa Brevis 'S Joannis de Deo' (Haydn); E S. Murrill in E, Given unto the Lord (Elgar), Canon J A Lewis; ES 6.30, Rev Alan Cosgrove.
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC 9; Euch 11, Canon Gerald Patrick; E 3.
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: LM 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30, 7; HM 10.30; V 3.30.
ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: LM 8, 10, 11, 12.15, 6.
CHAPEL ROYAL, St. James's Palace: Services resume the first Sunday in October.
QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY: Closed during August and September.
GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: M 11, Rev. R W Stevens; HC 12.
LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL: Services resume on Sunday, October 13.
TOWER OF LONDON: Closed during August.
TEMPLE CHUCH, Fleet Street: Services resume on Sunday, October 6.
ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church): HC 8.30; M 11, TD (Weelkes), Jub (Gibbons), A O how glorious is the Kingdom (Harwood), Rev H L O Rees; HC 12.15.
CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: Services resume on Sunday, September 1.
ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Euch 11, Rev Peter Delaney.
ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street: LM 8, 8.15; MP 10.20; HM 11, Lloyd Webber in E minor, Rev J S W Young, E and B 6, Healey Willan in B flat, The Vicar.
ALL SOULS, Langham Place: HC 9.30; 11 Mr David Turner; 6.30 Rev Ian Bentley.
CHELSEA OLD CHURCH: CH 8.12; M 11, Rev J H L Cross; E 6, Rev C E L Thomson.
CHRIST CHURCH, Chelsea: HC 8, Parish Communion 11, Rev Graham Buston; E 6, Prob F A Plachaud.
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: Sung Euch 11, Rev Dr A W Marks.
HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road: HC 8, 9.30; M 11, Rev N K Lee; ES 6.30, Rev P J S Perkin.
HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road: HC 8.30, 12.05; MP 11, Rev Oswald Clarke.
HOLY TRINITY, Sloane Street: HC 8.30 Euch 10.30, Canon Roberts; HC 12.10.
ST ALBAN'S, Holborn: SM 9.30; HM 11, Missa aeterna Christi munera (Palestrina), Listen, sweet dove (Best), Fr Gaskell; LM 5.30.
ST BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT, Smithfield: HC 9; M 11, E 6.30, The Rector.
ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: HC 8.30; M and Euch 11, Canon Peter Hartley; E 6.30, Rev Percy Coleman.
ST CUTHBERT'S Philbeach Gardens, SW5: HC 10; Sung Euch 11, Rev John Vine; E and B 6.
ST CYPRIAN'S, Clarence Gate: LM 8; M 10.30; HM 11, Rev P R Harding.
ST GEORGE'S Hanover Square: HC 8.30; Sung Euch 11, Batten Short Service, A, Lord we beseech Thee (Batten), The Rector.
ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC 8; Sung Euch 11, EP 6.
ST LUKE'S, Chelsea: HC 8; MP 10.30, Rev D R Watson; HC 11.30; E 6.30, Rev D R Watson.
ST MARGARET'S Westminster: HC 8.15; Choral M 11, Canon Trevor Beeson; HC 12.15.
ST MARTIN IN THE FIELDS: HC 8; Family Communion 9.45, Rev Philip Chester; MS 11.30, The Vicar, Chinese Service 3; ES 6.30, Rev Philip Chester.
ST MARY ABBOT'S, Kensington High Street: HC 8, 12.30; Sung Euch 9.30, Rev S Ackland; M 11.15, Rev Ian L Robson, E 6.30, Rev P Arnold.
ST MARY'S, Bourne Street: LM 9, 9.45, 7; HM 11, Communion Service (Farrant), Let God arise (Locke), Ave Verum (Saint Saens), Dr E L Mascall; E and Solemn B 6.15.
ST MARYLEBONE'S, Marylebone Road: HC 8, 11, Mass (Merbecke), Rev R Evans; 6.30 Rev D Head.
ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC 8.15; MP 11, Rev D C L Prior; HC 6.30, Rev D C L Prior.
ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: 11 and 6.30, George Cassidy.
ST PETER'S, Eaton Square: HC 8.15; Family Mass 10; Solemn M 11, Missa O quam gloriosum (Victoria), A, Blessed be the Lord God (Aynier), Rev R Rosser.
ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road: LM 8, 9; HM 11, Missa O quam gloriosum (Victoria), Rev Robert Browne; Solemn E and B 6, Dr Percy Butler.
ST YEDAST, Foster Lane: Sung Euch 11, Willan in D, O bone Jesu (Dering).

CROWN COURT CHURCH, Covent Garden: 11.15, Dr Peter Green; 6.30, Mr John Wadhams.
THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street: LM 8, 10; Sm 11, Missa pontificalis (Perosi), Ecce sacerdos (Elgar), Ave Maria (Verdonck); LM 12, 4, 6.
CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH, Maiden Lane, WC2: Solemn Latin Mass 11, Missa Sancti Vincentii Ferreri (Guller), Expectans expectavi Dominum (Lassus).
FARM STREET: LM 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15, 4.15, 6.15; HM 11, Missa sancti Johannes de Deo (Haydn), Caro cibus (Mendelssohn).
THE ORATORY, Brompton Road: LM 7, 8, 9, 10, HM 11, Missa pro Victoria (Victoria), Immittet angelus (Palestrina); LM 12.30, 4.30, 7; V 5.30, Ego sum panis (Palestrina).
ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Place: LM 9, 11, 6.
CITY TEMPLE, Holborn: 11 and 6.30, Rev Iain Stewart.
HINDE STREET METHODIST CHURCH: 11 Rev John Newton; 6.30 Rev Stuart Jordan.
REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN (URC), Tavistock Place: 11 Rev Wesley Workman.
ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham Street: HC 11.
ST JOHN'S WOOD URC: 9.30 Rev John Miller.
WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road: 11 Ronald C Gibbins.
WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist): 11 Sister Jackie Pitt; 6.30 Rev Dilwyn Banner.
WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate: 11 and 6.30 Rev. Greg Haslam.

Heretics travelling along the narrow path

G. K. Chesterton pointed out years ago that heretics have a quite undeserved reputation for being exciting and adventurous, while orthodox believers have an equally undeserved reputation for being dull and narrow, too afraid to venture forth from the confines of their creed. But there is undoubtedly something in the conventional view: often those who have been labelled heretic have been adventurously pushing their enquiries in ways that have disturbed the conventional; and orthodox believers are often people whose faith is rooted in a fear of change more psychological and theological, and who hate anything that may disturb their repose.

Nevertheless, Chesterton was right in what he was getting at. Given that we throw the terms around too lightly, the fact remains that orthodoxy is a larger and more inclusive thing than heresy, so it is strange that the narrower activity has won a reputation for a broad-minded, free-wheeling openness, while the really broad and inclusive experience gets the Mrs Grundy Award for ill-tempered rigidity. As is often the case with these things, the children of this generation are better at their public relations than are the children of light. That is why Chesterton stuck up for orthodoxy.

Etymology helps us along part of the way. The word Orthodoxy comes from two Greek words that could be translated as "straight thought" or "right thinking". Anything that is "ortho-" is correct, on the level. There is a sense of measuring in the term, and in Orthodoxy you get the full measure, the whole range of the thing thought of.

Of course, you can see where, in the conventional mind, it can go wrong after that. You can apply Orthodoxy like a ruler to measure up someone's credentials, you can use it as a way of excluding people, but the word itself has about it an air of scope and scale and inclusiveness. It is, in fact, the heretic who wants to chop up the cloth and make it into nice little suits according to the current fashions. A heresy is a choice, something you have picked and chosen, the bit you can go along with.

The trouble with heretics is that they do not just say, "This is how I see it"; they usually say, "This is how it is". And they are usually in a strong position because they often speak for their time or their generation which usually does see things the way they see them, whereas the Church has to speak, in some sense, for the ages, for the dead as well as the living.

The Church has to defend the whole line against those who would discard most of it in order to market the bit they are keen on at the moment. So, the Church appears to be on the defensive. In fact, she simply has a long memory and knows how often this has happened before. She has seen truths, or part of the whole truth discarded as irrelevant by one generation, rediscovered by a subsequent generation as the thing they need most. So the Church guards her doctrines, not because she is blinkered and does not see very far, but for precisely opposite reasons: she sees on a wider scale than the present obsessions of some of her more clever children.

Doctrinal bickering is doubtless very tedious but it is unavoidable as the Church, quite properly, seeks to preserve the wood while theologians, among them the odd bishop, with equal propriety, seek to examine the state of the trees.

Three quotations may help to steer some kind of passage through the apparently endless disputes about doctrine that characterize the Church.

The first is from Wittgenstein: "Christianity is not a doctrine, not, I mean, a theory about what has happened and what will happen to the human soul, but a description of something that actually takes place in human life". That is undoubtedly true and it is undoubtedly the primary truth in Christian history: experience of God and Christ comes before doctrines about them. It took the early Church centuries before it finally put its experience of God into words in the doctrine of the Trinity. The experience of the Trinity, the relationship between the believer and Christ and the Holy Spirit and God, was something that happened in the human soul before it was wrapped up in a formula that was never, anyway, very successful except as a sort of negative formulation.

But Wittgenstein does not take us far enough and this is where my second quotation takes us further. It is from T. S. Eliot: "We had the experience but missed the meaning, but approach to the meaning restored the experience". The desciples experienced Christ all right, but they constantly got his meaning wrong.

One way to get th experience back is to ponder what it really meant and that pondering is the enterprise we call Christian doctrine, and it is important because it is a pondering of experience. Eliot has penetrated to the principle that underlies Christian doctrine. Heresy is heresy, according to the Church, not because it got the theory wrong but because its theories were not true to Christian experience. The great Trinitarian and Christological doctrines were hammered out against the heretics, not because the Church wanted the theories set down but because the heretics were propounding neat and attractive doctrines that contradicted Christian experience. The Church knew she could never capture these mysteries in words but she had to do something, because she knew what her experience was and knew that the heresies were not true to the width and range of that experience.

Christian Doctrine became unavoidable when people started disputing about what the experience of Christ really meant. But for most people Wittgenstein's insight is the one they care about. That is why they are dismayed by the aridity of doctrinal debate and the avidity with which it is pursued.

Most of us do not mind when other people express doubt or difficulty with this or that aspect of Christian doctrine. We do not expect everyone to be able to encompass the mysteries and paradoxes of the Christian tradition without difficulty. It is a wise climber who knows what sides of a mountain he can tackle and what he should avoid, but he should not generalize from his own limitations and pronounce on the universal unsuitability of this face or that.

Theologians often have less modesty than climbers and they rarely scruple to tell the rest of us what we may or may not believe. But belief and believability are complex things, and theologians would be better to exercise more reticence in their pronouncements. That is why the American theologian Walter Wink coined the phrase "the available believable", knowing that what was available to one man's belief was not necessarily available to another.

We should be content to work with what we can believe without knocking what is available to our neighbour's belief, though it may be out of the question for us. If we followed that approach we would be operating on the correct assumption that Christian Doctrine is much bigger than any one generation's apprehension of it, and that it is better to affirm what you can in the tradition and not be too hastey in denouncing what you find difficult. In other words, stick to the available believable or, if you prefer a more elegant type of discourse, remember F. D. Maurice's epigram: "Men are usually right in what they affirm and wrong in what they deny".

Richard Holloway
Vicar of St Mary Magdalen's, Oxford.

Archaeology

Temple find bears out legend

One man's obsession with a legend about his house has led to an important archaeological find.

A Manchester University team has confirmed that Dean Hall in The Forest of Dean stands on the site of the only Roman springhead temple in Britain.

Excavations have proved that the water shrine was built on the site of a deified celtic water source, a factor long suspected about similar sites, mainly in southern Europe, but not yet established.

Professor Barri Jones, head of Manchester's Archaeology department, who led this summer's dig, yesterday described the find as most important.

The gazebo, or bandstand-like Roman construction, over the original sacred pool has shown that the Forest of Dean, long thought to have been of little archaeological importance was once the centre of a thriving Roman community.

Mr Donald Macer-Wright, aged 36, whose family has owned Dean Hall at Littledean, near Cinderford, for more than 30 years, became obsessed with the search for Roman ruins six years ago.

Returning home to help his parents to maintain their house, a listed building, he became interest in local folklore about the battle of Newnham and stories of an ancient temple.

Aerial photgraphs showed an outline of a building in the grounds and other similar outlines in the fields of neighbouring farms. According to Professor Jones the water shrine is part of a much larger Roman complex second only to Colchester.

At the site yesterday, the final day of this year's excavations, Professor Jones said: "The site overlooks the horseshoe bend of the river Severn. The water shrine was found last year by Mr Macer-Wright when his apple orchard was taken out.

"I am quite certain we shall be back to do further excavation work."

He added that the springhead temple had been almost completely demolished, probably by early Christians.

Birthdays

TODAY:
Lord Ashby, 81; Mr Paul Barker, 50; Mr Alan Brooker, 54; Mr Charles Causley, 68; Mr Carlo Curley, 33; Sir Michael Franklin, 58; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Johnston, 63; Commander Sir Clive Loehnis, 83; Sir Helenus Milmo, 77; Major-General W. J. Officer, 82; Air Chief Marshal Sir Hughes Saunders, 91; Brigadier F. E. Stafford, 90; Air Chief Marshal Sir Augustus Walker, 73.
TOMORROW:
Air Marshal Sir Michael Armitage, 55; Mr Leonard Bernstein, 67; Mr Sean Connery, 55; Mr Frederick Forsyth, 47; Mr Andrew Gardner, 53; Lord McGregor of Durris, 64; Mr Brian Moore, 64; Mr Bryan Mosley, 54; Lieutenant-General Sir Harold Redman, 86; Sir Graham Rowlandson, 77; Sir Thomas Shankland, 80; Dr Paul Steinitz, 76; Mrs M. S. Trenaman, 66.



Karlheinz Stockhausen with his son, Markus, at the Royal Opera House where the composer's opera, *Donnerstag aus 'Licht'*, receives its British premiere on September 16 (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Forthcoming marriages

Flight Lieutenant R. T. Alston and Miss I. S. Dalgleish
The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. A. C. (Jimmy) Alston, of Trinidad and the Isle of Man and Isabella Suzanne, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs Peter Dalgleish, of The Old Rectory, Kislingbury, Northamptonshire.

Mr J. D. Carrino and Miss N. A. Higgins
The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs Carmine Carrino, of Chatham, New Jersey, United States, and Nicola, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Francis Higgins, of Chobham, Surrey, England.

Mr L. M. Davies and Miss S. J. M. Davies
The engagement is announced between Lawrence, son of Mr and Mrs M. J. Davies, of Cookham, Berkshire, and Catherine, daughter of Dr and Mrs M. H. Davies, of Edgbaston, Birmingham.

Mr G. Milne and Miss A. C. Chicken
The forthcoming marriage is announced between Gordon, son of Mr and Mrs N. G. Milne, of Corby, and Anne, daughter of Mr J. C. Chicken, of Langenargen, Germany, and the late Mrs Inger Chicken.

Mr D. E. Brown and Miss R. Brough
The marriage will take place on September 7 at 1.15 pm in Chelmsford Cathedral between David son of Mr and Mrs E. W. Brown, of 16 Highbury Crescent, London N5 and Rachel, only daughter of Mrs J. Brough, of 10 Sterry Rise, Chelmsford, Essex.

Mr C. A. Ellis and Miss A. D. Pringle
The engagement is announced between Andrew Charles, son of Mr and Mrs C. M. Ellis, of Abbey Wood, London, and Anne Denise, daughter of the late Mr R. J. Pringle, MBE, ICS, and Mrs J. D. Pringle, of Crest House, Maidenhead, Berkshire.

Mr J. F Jarvis and Mrs S. A. Forbes
The engagement is announced between John, son of Mrs Molly Jarvis, of Torquay, Devon, and the late Mr Tom Jarvis, and Sally Forbes (nee Garrod), daughter of Mr Norman Garrod, of Bletchingley, Surrey, and the late Mrs Jane Garrod.

Dr S. L. Smith and Miss L. S. Dalrymple
The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Mr and Mrs Bryan Smith, of Turweston, Buckinghamshire, and Lucinda, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Dalrymple, of Hampstead, London.

Mr P. de Sury and Miss C. Bernuzzi
The forthcoming marriage is announced between Paul, elder son of the late Dr Nino de Sury and Signora Phyllis Achilli, of Milan and Chelsea, and Carla, daughter of Ing Pierluigi Bernuzzi and Signora Giulia Di Marco, of Milan, Italy.

The Rev D. R. Watson and Miss S. A. Atkinson
The engagement is announced between Derek, son of Mr and Mrs R. G. Watson, of Smeeton Westerby, Leicestershire, and Sheila, daughter of Mrs M. Atkinson, of Prestwick, Ayrshire, and the late Mr W. G. Atkinson.

Marriages

Mr G. A. W. Stocker and Miss M. H. Tempest
The marriage took place on August 17, at St Stephen's Church, Skipton, between Mr Geoffrey Alexander Wathen Stocker, second son of Mrs T. Stocker, of Lymington, Hampshire, and Miss Mary Hazel Tempest, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Tempest, The Bishop of Leeds, the Right Rev William Gordon Wheeler, officiated. A reception was held at Broughton Hall.

Mr M. J. Armstrong and Miss J. C. Fox
The marriage took place yesterday in Essex of Mr Martin Armstrong and Miss Janet Fox.

Mr J. G. Ahier and Miss M. Shemilt
The marriage took place on August 20 in Cambridge of Mr John Ahier, son of the late Mr and Mrs Willian Ahier, of St Clement's, Jersey, and Mary, third daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Shemilt, of Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Mr N. H. Thompson and Miss A. S. Durston-West
The marriage took place on August 10 at All Saints Church, Crudwell, between Mr Nicholas Hill Thompson, son of Mr and Mrs R. Thompson, of Harrogate and Miss Amanda Sian Durston-West, daughter of Mrs F. J. Lascelles Pallin, of Brook House, Crudwell, Malmesbury.

Major General A. K. F. Walker and Mrs S. C. Lawson-Baker
Major General Tony Walker and Mrs Sue Lawson-Baker were married, very quietly, at Warminster on Saturday, August 17.

Dinner

Edinburgh University Graduates' Association
After a reception held at Edinburgh University on Thursday evening, the President of the University of Edinburgh Graduates' Association, Dr Arne Schofield, was host at a dinner given in honour of Professor and Mrs Michael Oliver. Those present included Mr Graham Schofield, the Principal of Edinburgh University and Mrs John Burnett, the Rev Dr Stuart and Mrs Louden, Mr and Mrs John Bartholomew, Mr Andrew Young, Dr and Mrs J. A. R. MacLean and Mr W. V. Stevens.

Service dinner

The Royal Irish Rangers
Present and former deputy colonels and commanding officers of The Royal Irish Rangers gave a dinner at the Naval and Military Club last night for Major General and Mrs Humphrey Bredin on the occasion of his handing over the colonelcy of the regiment. Major General James Majury presided.

University news

New Principal for London

Mr Peter Holwell, aged 49, has been appointed Principal of the Senate of London University.

Mr Holwell, a former management consultant with Arthur Andersen and Co, joined the university in 1964, and became Clerk of the Court in 1982.

He will take up his new post on October 1, when the present Hull Principal, Dr William Taylor, becomes Vice-Chancellor of the University.

Kent
Dr Ian Swingland, lecturer in natural sciences in the school of continuing education, has been promoted to a senior lecturership with effect from October 1.

Christening

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs C. R. W. Wysock Wright was christened Emma Margaret Imjin by the Rev Jumbo Wilson in Brambletye Chapel on Sunday, August 18, 1985. The godparents are Mr Peter Shafto, Mrs John Charteris and Mrs Hugh Newcomb.

Latest wills

Lady Hurd, of The Old Oxyard, Oare, Marlborough, widow of Lord Hurd, former Conservative MP for Newbury, and mother of Mr Douglas Hurd, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, left estate valued at £138,707 net.

Miss Nina Alfreda Grant, of Hastings left estate valued at £213,868 net. She left personal bequests totalling £2,000 and the residue equally between the Bleakholt Animal Sanctuary, Ramsbottom, Lancashire, the RSPB, League Against Cruel Sports, Wood Green Animal Shelter, British Union for the Abolition of Vivisection, National Canine Defence League, Home of Rest for Horses, Aylesbury, and the PDSA.

Mr Moses Goldstein, of St John's Wood, north-west London, left estate valued at £102,954 net. After a personal bequest of £2,000 the residue is left to the Government of Israel, for the establishment of a memorial foundation to be known as "The Saul and Albine Swerling Charitable and Cultural Trust Fund", and to be used at their discretion for charitable and educational purposes in Israel.

Mr John Edward Hirst, of Leeds, West Yorkshire, left estate valued at £167,883 net. He left personal legacies totalling £25,500, and the residue to the RNID.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):
Craig, Mr James Donaldson, of Aylesford, Kent £246,932
Gibbs, Margaret Payten Mornington, of Haslemere, Surrey £222,400
Hanscomb, Phyllis Irene, of Baker Street, north-west London £209,069
Hawkins, Mr Robert George, of Clifton Park, Bristol £285,406
Linnell, Mr Eric Garnett, of Morcton Pinkney, Northants £331,646
Miller, Mr William Leslie Ernest, of Warlingham, Surrey £211,865
Sharp, Mrs Marie, of Chigwell, Essex £264,791

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr P. S Fairweather, aged 49, to be Ambassador to Angola and, concurrently, Ambassador (non-resident) to Sao Tomé and Principe in succession to Mr M. L Goulding CMG, who will be taking up a new appointment.
Mr Jeremy Beison to be President, and Mr William B. Harris, QC, to be Chairman of the Georgian Group.

Science report

Spin of the Earth leads to ocean treasure

By Andrew Wiseman

Work done by a French physicist 150 years ago is helping scientists in the Soviet Union in the race to locate valuable ferro-manganese nodules on the bottom of the world's oceans.

In 1835, Gaspard Gustave de Coriolis, a teacher at the Ecole Polytéchnique, began to study motion on a spinning surface. The Earth is such a surface, rotating once every 24 hours.

In that time, an imaginary point on the equator will travel about 40,000 kilometres, moving eastward at about 1,600 kilometres an hour. But a similar point in New York will travel only about 30,000 kilometres, at the slower speed of, roughly, 1,300 kilometres.

During the Earth's rotation, air moving northwards from the equator will appear to be drifting in an easterly direction compared with the more slowly travelling ground beneath it.

The same applies to water currents. The force which seems to push air and water eastward as they move away from the equator (westwards when moving towards it), is today known as the Coriolis force.

Researchers from a Leningrad Marine Geological Exploration unit say that, until now, that force has been ignored during prospecting.

They started their work knowing that in the northern hemisphere, because of the Coriolis effect, the right banks of rivers are washed away to a greater extent than left banks. They argued that because sea and ocean currents, are in effect, "rivers", there should be more water in the eastern half of any current. (The opposite, of course, applies in the southern hemisphere).

If their assumptions were correct, they believed, the left banks of ocean "canals" are richer in deposits of biological origin. And, because those deposits affect the presence and distribution of modules, there should be a greater concentration of such "iron balls" on the western side of such canals. Subsequent oceanographic investigations proved them right.

The Leningrad geologists and geo-chemists explored a 40 x 40 kilometre area of an ocean in the northern hemisphere. Its depth ranged from 4,850 to 5,050 metres. The ocean bed consisted of chains of gently sloping knolls, none higher than 200 metres. They ran from south to north, forming canals or valleys through which sea water flowed (again, from south to north).

The scientists took samples at identical depths from all the canals and in subsequent laboratory tests confirmed that in all cases the left banks of canals were richer in ferro manganese nodule deposits than the right ones.

That asymmetrical, yet universal, distribution of nodules, they say, can be attributed only to the effect of the Coriolis force, which should be taken into account during any detailed study of areas likely to offer good prospects for their subsequent extraction.

OBITUARY

MR C. W. MUNDAY

Inventor of the Munday Cell

Mr Charles Walter Munday, who died on August 20 at the age of 70, was the inventor of the Munday Cell. This cell, based on the Faraday method of measuring magnetic susceptibility, is the core of a range of oxygen analysers which over 30 years after the development of the cell, is still manufactured and sold in thousands internationally, with the USA and the Federal Republic of Germany as the major customers. The analysers determine oxygen content in a wide variety of applications, including submarines, laboratories and a range of industrial plant.

Charles Munday was born in East Runton, Norfolk on April 8, 1915 and educated at Paston Grammar School, North Walsham. On leaving school he moved to London and was employed at Woolwich Arsenal. At the same time, he read for a London University degree at evening classes at Woolwich Polytechnic, graduating with second class honours in chemistry in 1940.

He became an Associate of the Royal Institute of Chemistry in 1942 and then joined the Royal Air Force where he served with distinction as a navigator until 1947. During his time in the RAF he developed what was to be an abiding interest in astronomy.

After the war he was invited to join the instrumentation section of the Distillers Company Ltd and in 1967, following the sale of his part of DCL, he became head of the the BP Chemicals Ltd Instrument Development Section. It was in these roles that he developed the Munday Cell (1953), took out 26 patents and wrote numerous articles and papers on the topic of process analytical measurement. He retired in 1974 for reasons of health.

In 1970 he was awarded the Callendar Medal by the Institute of Measurement and Control which also, in 1982, created him an honorary Fellow. He was president of the Institute in 1973-74 and its honorary Secretary from 1977 until his death.

The Instrument Society of America, of which he was a senior member, honoured him in 1984 with its Arnold O. Beckman Award. He was also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry.

Since retirement he devoted himself largely to astronomy, building an observatory in his garden and serving as the photoelectric photometry co-ordinator of the Comet Section of the British Astronomical Association. Before his final illness he was planning, as part of the Amateur International Halley Watch, to apply photoelectric photometry techniques to the measurement of Halley's Comet, in collaboration with Professor Dr V. Vanysek of Charles University in Prague.

He had, away from science, a great love of the ballet and was a more than competent classical pianist.

In 1941 he married Phyllis Small who survives him, as does the one son from the marriage.

MAJOR EUSTACE ROBB

Major Eustace Robb, who has died at the age of 86, directed the first regular experimental BBC television broadcasts from Broadcasting House in London from 1932 to 1934.

Although these transmissions were on the low definition Baird system, which was later abandoned, he developed from scratch as the first television producer, the necessary techniques, some of which formed the basis of all later television work.

Among the productions of 1933 were a television revue, *Looking In*, presented by John Watt and Harry S. Pepper with Anona Winn as one of the performers, a boxing contest, and the first of a sequence of animal programmes including greyhounds and sea lions. John Watt, Harry S. Pepper and Anona Winn were already firm radio favourites.

When the Baird television system ceased, Robb, who had made his mark as a producer, was greatly disappointed to be passed over when Gerald Cock was appointed as Director of Television.

Commissioned into the Coldstream Guards in 1918, he rejoined the Army in 1939 working first in Intelligence and later as Assistant Chief Security Officer in connection with the manufacture of Mulberry Harbour for the landings in Normandy in 1944.

He sprang, on one side of his family, from Matthew Boulton, the partner of James Watt, and, ultimately, through a complicated legal arrangement in which the Public Trustee was involved he came to own the Great Tew estate in Oxfordshire which extends to some 4,000 acres. The estate was not in the best of shape but in partnership with James Johnston he brought it back into good heart.

MR MICHAEL BATES

Mr Michael Bates, FRCS, FACS, the distinguished thoracic surgeon died on August 17 at the age of 68.

The son of Tom Bates, FRCS, surgeon to the Worcester Royal Infirmary for 40 years, he was the grandson of another Tom Bates, who was also a surgeon in Worcester. His uncle Mark Bates likewise practised surgery in the city. All were trained at Bart's as was Michael Bates.

He was educated at Radley and at Bart's which he entered in 1935. He passed his MRCS and LRCP in 1941 and gained his fellowship in 1949.

During the Second World War and after he served in the RAMC in Malaya and India and in the hospital ship El Nil.

His interest in thoracic surgery began under Mr J. E. H. Roberts when he was a student and he later became Roberts's house surgeon and registrar. He extended his acquaintance with this branch of surgery at Brompton Hospital under Lord Brock (then Mr Russell Brock) and under Mr O. S. Tubbs to whom he was senior registrar.

In 1952 he was appointed consultant to the North East Metropolitan Region when he began the creation of the regional thoracic unit at the Middlesex Hospital. In 1969 he became consultant thoracic surgeon to the Royal Northern Hospital and ten years later to the Royal Free Hospital. He was an immensely hard working man greatly admired by his colleagues. He was influential in furthering the exchange of views among different groups of doctors and specialists.

He was Hunterian Professor of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1980, lecturing on the surgical treatment of carcinoma. In 1981 and 82 he was president of the Society of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland. He published many papers and articles but his main work, published by Springer-Verlag, was *Bronchial Carcinoma*, an integrated approach to diagnosis and management, which he edited having chosen the contributors and planned the subject matter.

He retired in 1983 from the North Middlesex Hospital and the Royal Northern Hospital but was still working at the Royal Free Hospital when he was taken ill in 1984.

He was a cricket enthusiast who captained the Bart's XI.

He was twice married and had strong family ties. His second wife, whom he married in 1955, was formerly on the staff of Bart's.

MRS ELIZABETH NICHOLAS

Mrs Elizabeth Nicholas, who died on August 13 at the age of 69, was for nearly 20 years Travel Editor of *The Sunday Times*, the first British newspaper to carry a regular travel feature after the Second World War.

During the war, Mrs Nicholas had worked in the Political Warfare Executive (based at the BBC but controlled by the Foreign Office), whose job it was to translate radio propaganda from occupied Europe for counter-propaganda use in Britain.

Her war-time travels in the Middle East and Mediterranean areas led to her being invited in 1949 to write for *The Sunday Times*, in whose columns she developed a highly personal style that perfectly reflected the post-war hunger for overseas travel.

Deeply interested in the workings of the then-embryonic travel trade, which she bullied relentlessly to provide the sort of services and facilities she felt her readers wanted, she also played an important part in shaping the post-war travel boom.

Mrs Nicholas's books included *Madeira and the Canaries*, *The Traveller's Year*, and *Death be not Proud*, a minutely-researched study of seven women who served in the French Section of the Special Operations Executive (SOE) during the war.

She leaves a husband and a daughter.

DR FRIEDRICH SCHEU

W. J. F. writes:

The death occurred in Vienna on August 8 of Dr Friedrich Scheu at the age of 80. "Friedl", son of a Viennese advocate and himself a lawyer by training, loved England and spent many years in London as a journalist.

He started his career as Central European correspondent of the *Daily Herald*, was later on the staff of the Vienna socialist daily, *Arbeiterzeitung*, as its London correspondent, and eventually became the *Arbeiterzeitung*'s Foreign Editor and Deputy Editor.

A man of profond integrity and liberal convictions, he was an active member of Austria's Social Democratic Party, and used his influence and his pen first against the suppression of democracy in Austria under Dollfuss and later against the extinction of Austria by Hitler.

During the war, in London, he worked tirelessly for the re-establishment of a free and democratic independent Austria, and helped to found the Anglo-Austrian Society.

Friedl Scheu was a man of wide culture and encyclopaedic interests, a tolerant and always amusing debater. He published several books on Austrian political and historical subjects, the last on the occasion of his 80th birthday, and made learned contributions to numismatic journals.

He is survived by his wife Heria, three daughters and several grandchildren.



صبحنا من الاحد

August 24 - 30, 1985

SATURDAY

A weekly guide to leisure, entertainment and the arts





Mike Abrahams

Lee Rodwell tracks down the best of our safari parks for some close encounters over the Bank Holiday

Crazy about Britain's big game

It is 10.30am on a reasonable August morning. The gates into Woburn Wild Animal Kingdom have been open for half an hour and already a slow procession of cars is crawling around what is billed as Britain's largest drive-through Safari Park.

The people inside the cars look at the animals: the animals, with rather less interest, look at the people. The elephants, freed for the moment from the enclosure where they are kept when the park is really busy, flap their ears and wave their trunks in a vaguely alarming manner. A warden in a jeep keeps a watchful eye on them but, even viewed from a distance, one is uncomfortably aware of how big elephants are – and how small is the average family saloon.

The tigers seem less threatening as they prowl beneath the trees, even when they wander inquisitively so close to the car that you can practically count their whiskers. "Cat", says my one-year-old firmly. "It's a tiger", says the know-it-all three-year-old, "and it will eat you".

We drive off towards the lions' enclosure where one of the three males is chewing at half a cow's head some way away from the rest of the pride.

I half-heartedly attempt an explanation of why there are only three Daddy lions and lots more Mummies but am saved by our arrival in the monkey jungle. Here the rhesus monkeys are gleefully jumping on any cars or coaches that come to a complete halt and the occupants of one car are – despite all the notices to the contrary – poking what appear to be scraps of paper out of a rear window into tiny, grasping paws.

Paul Herman, manager of the Wild Animal Kingdom, has learned over the years that human stupidity knows almost no bounds. "People think it's funny to give monkeys sweets and watch them take the paper off," he says. "What they don't seem to appreciate is that litter can be blown around and may end up in the grass which the giraffes are grazing on." It's still a far cry from the early days of safari parks when people were said to get out of their cars if they broke down in the lions' enclosure, and even picnic in tiger territory.

The first of the drive-through wildlife parks – now generally called safari parks – was opened at Longleat in 1966 by the Marquess of Bath and Jimmy Chipperfield. It was during a visit to Africa that the latter first realized that the obvious way to exhibit wild animals was to put the people in "cages" – cars or coaches – and allow the animals to behave as naturally as possible in the relative freedom of spacious reserves.

Chipperfield reasoned it would be best to start with lions. Not only were they the animals he knew most about but being dangerous meant they were bound to prove a great attraction.

He first met Lord Bath in 1964 to discuss the possibility of setting up a safari park at Longleat and, it is said, still looks back with some awe on Lord Bath's "brave and historic" decision, made in only 20 days, to keep lions on his estate.

It was not a decision greeted with total approval. Roger Cawley, manager of the Lions of Longleat since it opened, recalls with some satisfaction that *The Times* ran a critical leader on the subject. "It created an enormous amount of publicity and really set us off on the right foot", he says. "Everyone expected lions all over Wiltshire but a lion has never got out."

Longleat set the pace for safari parks. After the lions came tigers. In the second year the lake was developed, where visitors can now enjoy a water safari, watch bobbing hippos, sea lions following the boats begging for fish and also get a glimpse of the colony of lowland gorillas living on one of the islands.

In the third year came giraffe and zebras. These, along with camels, elephant, rhino, monkeys, eland, wolves and buffalo are now what one safari park manager calls "standard safari stuff". This sums up one of the problems facing those who run parks. The great British public tend to have this attitude too.

The parks inevitably are not the novelty they were in the early 1970s and people are not quite so thrilled at the thought of close encounters of the wild animal kind.

Safari parks - like so much of the leisure and entertainment industry in Britain – are also at the mercy of the weather. Laurence Tennant, general manager of Knowsley Safari Park near Liverpool says: "Our main competitors here are the beaches. If it's very hot people head for the coast but if it's cool and not too wet we always do well."

At Woburn this year the rain has proved more disastrous than a really hot spell. While people might think twice before deciding to boil for an hour or so in their car with all the doors and windows closed, they won't even consider venturing out in the kind of downpour that mists up your windows and makes it impossible to see anything at all.

Longleat is able to attract coach parties of south-coast holidaymakers who want a break from the beach but Woburn does not have the bonus of the same kind of day-trip trade. Paul Herman is still trying to get the message across to Londoners that the Wild Animal Kingdom is a mere 45-minute drive up the M1.

Like most of the other safari parks, Woburn has introduced other attractions and an all-in ticket price. "People want a proper day out", says Paul Herman. "They don't want to spend an hour or so in the safari park and then have to think about how to spend the rest of the day."

I wasn't very impressed with what Woburn Wild Animal Kingdom call their Leisure Area. There were pedaloes on a small lake, a rather lacklustre funfair with rides for small children, a larger merry-go-round, a cabin chairlift ride to nowhere in particular and a reasonable cafeteria and souvenir shop. The only 1980s touch was the Rainbow Ride – a thrill ride on a platform which whizzes 80ft up into the air – but this seemed rather out of place.

My three-year-old enjoyed bouncing on the giant inflatable tiger and going on the round-about, but was disappointed with a rather sad Pets' Corner, mainly because she couldn't stroke any of the animals. Interestingly, they have built up their Pets' Corner at Knowsley and their efforts have paid off. Children, asked to name their favourite animal at the park, came up with a few surprises. Top of the list: peacocks and sheep.

All safari parks now have at least one kind of show – dolphins, sea lions or – as at Windsor – a choice of the above, as well as a killer whale show, a parrot show and a bird of prey show. Next year Windsor plans to introduce a tropical plant and butterfly house and a new children's adventure playground.

Will safari parks, then, eventually concentrate less on the big game and more on other leisure activities? Will the safari element disappear altogether? Laurence Tennant of Knowsley does not think so. "We are places of entertainment but we are also educational. For 99 per cent of children we offer the only chance to see these animals in their natural state."

Until my children saw the animals at Woburn I don't think they really understood how big an elephant is or the length of a giraffe's neck and legs. There is a thrill in knowing that some of the animals you are face to face with, separated by a thin layer of glass and metal, could kill.

The biggest risk you run, providing you obey all the warning signs, is having the monkeys damage your car. At Woburn they got rid of baboons who could strip the trim off a coach or break off your windscreen wipers in seconds. The rhesus monkeys, it seems, are somewhat better mannered but even they can destroy a vinyl roof.

A lion may bite the odd tyre. Recently at Longleat an elephant rammed a car door with its tusks but only, says Roger Cawley, because the people in the car got out when they shouldn't have. "The elephant thought she was going to be fed and got cross when she wasn't."





Animal kingdom: (clockwise from left) getting the hump at Longleat, where Roger Cawley, the manager, answers a trunk call; monkeying around in Woburn and sheepish looks at Knowsley

TAKING STOCK

Ever since safari parks were first established there has been debate about whether it is right to take wild animals away from their natural habitat for the entertainment of the public.

Those who run safari parks are quick to point out that, while it is no use pretending that their animals are free or living under the same conditions as they would in the wild (the carnivores are not hunting for food, for instance), at least they are not being hunted and are assured of good living conditions and a regular diet.

Most of the safari parks are proud of their breeding programmes which means that the vast majority of the animals were not imported from Africa or elsewhere, but were born in Britain. Not only is there a lot of swapping and changing of stock among safari parks and zoos in Britain but surplus stock may be exported to other zoos and parks throughout the world. Some – like the African buffalo or the Pere David's deer – may even be sent back to their country of origin.

According to the Knowsley Safari Park guidebook, "Many animals at present fairly common in Africa have an uncertain long-term future. At Knowsley the herds of African buffalo and eland are now big enough to play an important role in conservation as they are some of the best captive herds of these species in the world."

However, the staff at the safari parks tend not to see the animals as a contribution to conservation, as breeding stock, or even as public attractions. At Woburn Wild Animal Kingdom, for instance, most of the 23 lions, 12 tigers, 2 elephants, 3 rhinos, 2 hippos, 20 eland, 7 wildebeest, 13 bongo (antelope), 5 zebras, 4 camels, 10 bears, 70 – at last count – monkeys, 5 giraffes and 19 North American bison have names.

Three of the wildebeest are called Freeman, Hardy and Willis; the baby camel is called Snotlet and the big male giraffe Nijinsky; and there is, inevitably, a lion called Leo and a bear called Rupert.

SATURDAY

Bank Holiday outings and Jumbo Crossword: p 13, 14

Bridge	14	Gardening	14
Chess	14	Interview	18
Collecting	15	Photography	17
Concerts	17	Review	17
Dance	17	Rock & Jazz	17
Drink	15	Shopping	15
Edinburgh	18	Theatre	18
Films	18	Travel	12,13
Galleries	18	TV & Radio	17

PICK OF THE PARKS

Woburn Wild Animal Kingdom

Near Woburn, Beds (052525 407). M1 exits 12 and 13. Opened in 1970, it has about 450,000 visitors a year.
Size: 350 acres
Attractions: Elephant, American bison, zebra, Ankole cattle, wildebeest, eland, white rhino, hippos, lion and tiger enclosures, monkey and bear jungle, bongo, camel, giraffe. Sea lion show. Sky Ride cabin chairlift. The thrill ride is the Rainbow Ride. Children's amusements include roundabouts, swings boats, bouncing tiger, ghost train. Pets' Corner.
Catering: Cafeteria and bar. Children's meal of burger and chips, ice cream and squash £1.50. Jumbo burger, coleslaw and chips £2.50.
Babies: No special facilities. High chairs in cafeteria.
Open: Daily from 10am until Oct 31. Last admission 5pm.
Prices: Adults, £4, children and OAPs £2.50. Under-4s free. Group rates available.

West Midlands Safari and Leisure Park

Spring Grove, Bewley, Worcs (0299 402114). On the A456 between Kidderminster and Bewdley, M5 exit 3. Opened in 1973, it has just over 400,000 visitors a year
Size: 200 acres
Attractions: Wild animals reserve arranged more or less geographically, including lions, tigers, elephant, giraffe, wolves, monkeys, camels, eland, rhino, wallabies. Sea lion show. Western-style Rio Grande railway. Thrill rides – Cobra Rollercoaster and Pirate Ship. Cinema 180. Carousel. Childrens rides and amusements. Adventure playground.
Catering: Fast-food Burger Bar (burger, chips and coke £1.30). Farmhouse Kitchen for hot meals. Waitress service Spring Grove House. Safari Bar with all-day licence and refreshment kiosks.
Babies: No special feeding/changing facilities but mothers wanting quiet may be allowed to use the office. High chairs available.
Open: Daily from 10am to 5pm or 6.30pm, (depending on the time of year) until the end of October. Last admission 5pm.
Prices: Adults £3.50, children and OAPs £2.50. Under-4s free. Group rates available.

Blair Drummond Safari and Leisure Park

Near Stirling, Scotland (0786 841456). M9 exit 10. Situated on the A84 about five miles from Stirling. Opened in 1970, it has about 250,000 visitors a year.
Size: 120 acres.
Attractions: Camels, giraffe and llamas picnic area, Monkey Jungle with eland, zebra, yak, Highland cattle, Pere David deer. Lions and tigers. The hippo pool – pygmy hippos – and Chimp Island. The Aquatic Mammal show features sea lions this year. The Pets' Corner has, amongst other things, wallabies, coati-mundi and Capuchin monkeys. There is also an adventure play area and amusements, including the giant Astraglide. Cinema 180 gives you the thrill of riding a giant roller coaster, flying over Niagara Falls, surf-riding in Hawaii.
Catering: The Ranch Kitchen for a meal or snack. Also the Jambo Bar. You can also have a "cook-out" on the barbecue if you take your own steaks or burgers, or buy them to cook there.
Babies: No special facilities.
Open: Daily from 10am until Oct 7. Last admissions 4.30pm.
Prices: All-inclusive price: adults £3, children and senior citizens £2. Under-3s free. Party rates available. Amusements not included in entrance price.



Tiger territory: children's inflatable at Woburn

Windsor Safari Park

Windsor, Berkshire (07535 69841). M4 exit 6, M3 exit 3. Signposted from the outskirts of Windsor. Green Line summer service from London Victoria direct to the park. Opened in 1970, there were 550,000 visitors last year.
Size: 160 acres.
Attractions: Wild Animal Reserves – giraffe, lions, tigers, zebra, white rhino. Big emphasis on shows – killer whale, parrot, dolphin and sea lion as well as, new this year, a bird of prey show.
Catering: Fast food cafeterias, licensed bars and refreshment kiosks.
Babies: No special facilities.
Open: Daily (except Christmas Day) from 10am to around 6pm.
Prices: Adults £4.50, children and OAPs £3.50. Under-4s free. Group rates (for 20+) Adults £3, children £2. School parties £1.50 per child.

The Pride of Knowsley Safari Park

Prescot, Merseyside (051 430 9009). Situated between Liverpool and St Helens, the only entrance to the park is on the east-bound carriageway of the Prescot by-pass at Prescot. Opened in 1971, it has around 400,000 visitors a year.
Size: 400 acres.
Attractions: American bison, African elephant, baboons, African buffalo, lions, white rhino, zebra, Pere David's deer, camels, tigers, wallabies, wildebeest, guanaco. Available – but not included in the entrance price – Pets' Corner, shows in the Dolphinarium, boating lake, miniature railway, amusement park.
Catering: Cafeteria – burger, chips, beans and a roll: £1.55.
Babies: No special facilities.
Open: Daily from 10am until Oct 31. Visitors are advised to arrive not later than 4pm in the summer to leave enough time to enjoy the game reserves. Closing times in the autumn vary according to weather conditions – phone to check. Children's amusement park and Pets' Corner normally open between 11am and 5pm until the end of September.
Prices: £5 per saloon car, irrespective of the number of passengers. Pets' Corner: adults 30p, children and OAPs 20p. Dolphin Display: adults £1, children and OAPs 60p.

The Lions of Longleat Safari Park

Longleat, Warminster, Wilts (09853 328). Between Bath and Salisbury on the A362. Opened in 1966 it was the first large game reserve to be established outside Africa. About 400,000 visitors a year.
Size: 300 acres.
Attractions: Walkabout and picnic reserve with camels, giraffe, kangaroo, zebra. The drive-through Monkey Jungle. The Big Game Park – white rhino, eland, elephant, Ankole cattle. Lion Country. Tiger Territory. Wolf Wood. Water Safari boat trips on the lake with sea lions, hippos, Gorilla Island. An all-in ticket also entitles you to visit the attractions exhibition, Pets' Corner, the Maze and the miniature railway.
Catering: None actually in the safari park but two restaurants and a pub at Longleat House. Soup, burger and chips: £1.95.
Babies: Changing and feeding facilities close to Longleat House.
Open: Daily until Nov 3 from 10am until 6pm. Last cars admitted at 5.30pm or sunset when earlier.
Prices: Lions of Longleat only: adults £2.70, children and pensioners £2. All-in-one discount ticket: adults £5.50, children and pensioners £3.50. Under-4s free. Group rates available.

Bosworth celebrations

The quincentenary re-enactment of the Battle of Bosworth takes place tomorrow and not today as stated in our recent feature on the Tudors.

New Woolwich Interest Rates
from 1st September 1985
Investment Rates

SHARE ACCOUNTS	7.00% net paid half yearly	= 10.00% gross equivalent*
PRIME ACCOUNTS	8.75% net paid annually	= 12.50% gross equivalent*
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	9.50% net paid half yearly	= 13.57% gross equivalent*

*for basic rate taxpayers

The rate of interest on all Flexible Term Shares, Investment Certificates, Monthly Income Shares, Premium Interest Shares, Savings Plan Accounts, Guaranteed Bonus Shares, 28 Day Accounts and Personal Deposit Accounts will be decreased by 1.25% from 1st September 1985.

These new rates give Woolwich savers and investors an excellent choice of top rates. There is now no limit to the amount you can have invested.

Mortgage Rates

12.75% specified rate for repayment mortgages equivalent to **8.925%** Net rate payable on eligible loans with mortgage interest tax relief at 30%

For Woolwich borrowers with account numbers beginning 91, 94 and 96, the interest charged on mortgages for the purchase or improvement of owner occupied residential property will be reduced by 1.25% from 1st September 1985. For other existing mortgages, the same reduction will apply from 1st October 1985.

The normal effect of this reduction will be to shorten the term of repayment mortgages. However, if your present monthly payment is based on at least a 13.875% interest table, payments can be reduced on application to your local branch.

If you have an endowment mortgage, we will be writing to you with details of revised monthly payments towards the end of this month.

WOOLWICH
EQUITABLE BUILDING SOCIETY
Chief Office: Equitable House, London SE18 6AB.

Losing interest in your current account?



Wouldn't you rather put your money in an account which offers high interest together with the payment facilities of a current account?

Of course you would, and with The Royal Bank of Scotland Premium Account you can. Fill in the coupon for full details.

INTEREST RATE PER ANNUM
Subject to variation. Interest paid quarterly.

Gross Rate	*Compounded Annual Rate	Net Rate
11.00%	12.27%	8.22%

*The Compounded Annual Rate shown is the Net Rate grossed up to show what the rate is actually worth to a Basic Rate Taxpayer and annualised to take account of the quarterly compounding of interest.

A charge of 35p is made for each cheque and standing order withdrawal, and a charge of 20p for each Cashline and direct debit withdrawal.

The Royal Bank of Scotland plc
Registered Office: 42 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YE.
Registered in Scotland No. 4449.

Yes I do want to know more. Please send full details of your Premium Account to me at the following address: TIM/TH
Name (Mr/Mrs/Miss)
Address
Postcode
Business Tel: Home Tel:
Please send the completed coupon to The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Premium Accounts, FREEPOST, 24 Lombard Street, London EC3B 3DR (No stamp required)

HOLIDAYS & VILLAS
Trade 01-837 0507 and 01-837 1560 and 01-837 0142
Private 01-837 3333 or 3311

DREAM HOLIDAYS
From 01584 6514
AUSTRALIA
PERTH from £570
SYDNEY/MELBOURNE fr £625
Free stopover packages
FAR EAST
HONG KONG from £480
SINGAPORE from £450
BANGKOK from £395
TOKYO from £620
NORTH AMERICAN
FLORIDA from £319
NEW YORK from £319
USA 3 cruises £559
CALIFORNIA from £409* *(free car hire)
DREAM FLIGHTS
01-584 7371
DREAM HOLIDAYS 20 Rute Street London SW7
ACCESS and VISA accepted

Go East without your money going West.
There are 37 Far Eastern holidays in the Jetset brochure. All of them at prices that are too hot for our competitors to handle.
That's because we do more business to the Orient than anyone else. But can you believe that our low prices even include your return BA air fare, excellent standard hotel with private bath, and airport transfers? For the best air fare or a copy of our Orient brochure contact:
HONG KONG from £455 GO BEFORE NOW HOLIDAYS
Jetset Tours
The biggest and best to the Far East
Jetset Tours Ltd., 95 Aldwych, London WC2B 4JF 01-831 9091 T6/7

nouvelles frontières (UK) LTD
GUARANTEED BARGAINS
MONTREAL £250
TORONTO £283
VANCOUVER £332
NEW YORK £337
PHILADELPHIA £337
ATOL 2069
1-2 Hanover Street, London W1 01-629 7772

LOW COST HOLIDAY FARES
Sept & Oct depts
Gatwick Prices from:-
MALAGA £107
ALICANTE £93
PALMA £106
MINORCA £99
LANZAROTE £147
TENERIFE £153
LAS PALMAS £153
FARO £113
LISBON £114
CORSICA £106
ATHENS £117
AIRPORT TAXES INCLUDED
OPEN SUNDAY 10 until 2
JETFARES
01 828 6382
156/158 VICTORIA STREET, SW1 ATOL 1378

LONG HAUL AND ROUND THE WORLD - BUSINESS AND PLEASURE
COLUMBUS
Call us on telephone 8 am - 6 pm
85 London Wall, EC2M 7AD
01 638 1101
ABTA. IATA. ATOL. PATA.

ZANTE, ZANTE, ZANTE
Every Tuesday morning flights fr £109 villas/apts fr £169
CRETE, CRETE, CRETE
Every Tuesday & Friday night flts fr £108 Hols fr £179
CORFU, CORFU, CORFU
Every Sun, Mon, Tues Flts fr £99 Villa fr £167
MALAGA, MALAGA, MALAGA
Weds, Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun, flts fr £89 Accom fr £149
Tel 01-631 3883
Open Sat, Sun, Mon
MANDEER HOLIDAYS
ATOL 1626

DARTAIR
The Air ticket Specialist
SPECIAL LOW FARES TO OUR TOP 20 LONG HAUL DESTINATIONS
NEW YORK £299 RTN
LOS ANGELES £415 RTN
SYDNEY £729 RTN
JO'BURG £455 RTN
130 Jermyn Street, SW1
01-839 4065

★ MENORCA 23 AUG
B/B Hotel £205 2 wks
★ MALTA 26,27,29 AUG
H/B Hotel £194 flat £183 2 wks only
★ ALGARVE 29 AUG
B/B Taverna from £199 2 wks only
SUN LINES
01-937 7741/
938 2774/2765
ABTA ATOL 879B Access/B cards

DISCOUNTED FARES
JO'BURG/HAR single £300 return £495
NAIROBI £270 £395
CAIRO £150 £200
KHARTOUM £185 £275
LAGOS £220 £320
DELHI-BOM £220 £330
BANGKOK £186 £320
DOULA £- £420
and many more
AFRO-ASIAN TRAVEL LTD.
162/168 Regent St. London W 1.
01-437 8255/6/7/8
Late + group bookings welcome
Amex/visa - diners

UP, UP & AWAY
JO'BURG, NAIROBI, DAR, MANZINI HARARE, CAIRO, MAURITIUS, DUBAI, JEDDAH, ATHENS, LARNACA, ISTANBUL, SINGAPORE, KUALA LUMPUR, BANGKOK, TOKYO, BARBADOS, CANADA
Direct flights to Bombay / Hong Kong / New York / Chicago / Los Angeles / European destinations / West Africa
FLAMINGO TRAVEL
3 New Quebec St. Marble Arch. London W1H 7DD
01-402 9217/18/19
Open Saturday 10.00-13.00

NEW LOW FARES WORLDWIDE
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, SINGAPORE, BANGKOK, SEOUL, TOKYO, NEW ZEALAND, CAIRO, KUWAIT, DUBAI, BAHRAIN, JEDDAH, ISTANBUL, INDIA AND PAKISTAN, USA, CANADA, NAIROBI, JO'BURG, DAR, F'FURT, PARIS, ROME
SKYLORD TRAVEL LTD
2 Dennis Street, London, W1
Tel: 01-439 3621/8007
AIRLINE BONDED

SEPTEMBER BARGAINS
MENORCA
From Manchester
2/9 & 9/9.....£199
(Minimum 4 persons)
CORFU
From Gatwick & Manchester)
1/9 & 8/9.....£227
ALGARVE
From Manchester
1/9 & 8/9.....£299
Tel: 01-828 7682
Airlink Holidays
9 WILTON ROAD LONDON SW1V 1LL
ABTA ATOL

★★ Istanbul ★★
Autumn offer, take a break to the City where East meets West. Sept 26, Oct 3. Departs Gatwick 10.40 pm. Hotel, B & B, transfers, flights. £219 incl. pp. Seat only avail for Sept.
SAMSON TRAVEL
01-240 3683/
01-836 7693
ATOL 1966

USA-Z
NEW YORK return from £299
return flights
DALLAS £405 • ATLANTA £375
HOUSTON £375 • DETROIT £299
LOS ANGELES £389
MIAMI £349 • ORLANDO £389
SAN FRANCISCO £389
SEATTLE £389 • TORONTO £269
01-734 8100

FARO
August £109 RTN
LOS ANGELES
August £199 o/w
TRANS TOURS
01-734 2577
01-734 2795

CORFU
September availability 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th - 2 weeks - villas, apartments and hotel accom. Sunday daytime flights.
Tel: Greek Connection Travel (02514) 29231/24660

TRAILFINDERS
WORLDWIDE LOW COST FLIGHTS
The best - and we can prove it.
165,000 clients since 1970
AROUND THE WORLD FROM £795
SYDNEY £381 £617
PERTH £379 £582
AUCKLAND £469 £775
BANGKOK £198 £365
SINGAPORE £251 £462
HONGKONG £257 £498
DELHI/BOMBAY £280 £392
CAIRO £160 £255
JO'BURG £335 £479
LIMA £283 £460
LOS ANGELES £281 £446
NEW YORK £169 £396
GENEVA £70 £94
42-48 EARLS COURT ROAD LONDON W8 6EJ
EUROPE/USA FLIGHTS 01 937 8400
LONG HAUL FLIGHTS 01-405 1815
Government licensed/bonded
ABTA IATA ATOL 1468

BARGAIN AIR FARES
New York £156 o/w £518 rtn
L Angeles £216 o/w £408 rtn
Toronto £162 o/w £299 rtn
Jo'burg £276 o/w £460 rtn
Sydney £399 o/w £670 rtn
Auckland £399 o/w £740 rtn
Delhi £218 o/w £378 rtn
Cairo £130 o/w £210 rtn
Bangkok £190 o/w £320 rtn
Tel Aviv. £119 o/w £199 rtn
Many other bargains
DECKERS TRAVEL
Tel. (01) 370 6237
(01) 373 3391

also on page 16

Edited by Shona Crawford Poole

TRAVEL

Windy walks on Suffolk's wild side

Richard North finds his appetite for wilderness satisfied by Southwold's sun, sea air and ale

Homer Sykes



Echoes of Benjamin Britten: ferry between Southwold and Walberswick, and (below) the Sailor's Reading Room



Paradise is just off the A12. The turning to it comes about 14 miles before you would have reached Lowestoft if you had continued northwards deeper into Suffolk. A flinty-faced, high-storeyed church (Blythburgh, whose preacher told the eldest and I and a smattering of others about the responsibilities of power one Sunday, while the carved angels cavorted in the sunshine) is on your left, and a vast silver sea of mud and sea grass is on your right. It's a dangerous bend.

And then a drive (we used to cycle it, but three kids have done for that) on an expanded country lane through gently rolling fields, enlivened by rapeseed (how boring the eco-purists who decry its gaudy intrusion), down to the seaside fishing town whose promise announces itself by a northward drift of beach huts. Each one is identical in shape but individual in a chaos of colours, like a paint manufacturer's colour card cut up and scattered in the wind (and there is always a wind).

The town is ridiculously beautiful. There is a white stub of a lighthouse, sentinel among its huddle of pubs. One day we may be rich enough to drive to the ivied Swan Hotel in the town, with its arch and hints of chintz, or rent a cottage (advertised in intellectual weeklies and *The Times*, of course).

For now, humbler, we turn off right in the lesser high street (before banks and estate agents glamourize it) and wind through side streets to the municipal camp-site. The town church – St Edmund, King and Martyr – is vast and airy, and this summer echoed to an a cappella concert for Ethiopia (Auden's "Hymn to St Cecilia" sounded fine in Southwold's impeccable diction). Nearby there's a micro-museum which would have pleased the Tradescants, who invented the idea of people gawping at heaps of curiosities.

In the Sailor's Reading Room on the East Cliff front (it is an esplanade, but its origins in heathland and clifftop are clear despite tea huts), the children leaf through newspaper scrap books from the 1950s and beyond, and have been blessed with no thought that these nautical mementoes of floods, rescues, drownings, storms and good catches are antiques, and thus too valuable to be pored over. The scrapbooks won't last much longer. There seems something extravagant about letting history be riffled by fingers fresh from the town's only, but brilliant, fish and chip shop. They now serve wine and there is also a wholefood shop in the high street, and a hint of the boutique about the clothes shops.

There is a relaxed profusion of architecture which has gathered all round the town. The domestic styles of every period for the past 200 years are there, muddled together, with only bourgeois convenience and well-being to dictate the overall effect (no planner could allow such humdrum inspiration). But this is some sort of spa, and the grander houses present their owners in celebrant mood, with turrets and verandas and porches fit for the complacent indulgence of views handsomely paid for.

Southwold does not convulse itself in the effort to cater for its visitors. True, in 1984, there was a carnival. The ladies of the town bulged and wobbled under their glitzy dance studio tracksuits on one of the greens – a fire in the 17th century gave the town lots of them – to a tinny disco; the Judy called Punch her "little old boy" as any Suffolker would; and we all trooped to the square to dance outside like Italians, children and grannies first in the dusk, and then the fiercer stuff later. The pubs disgorged drinks into the street and the lighthouse sent its beam out over the town's roofs. Reluctant children, too tired for more fun and longing for sleep, but sensing that the party might go on for ever, were taken off to bed, only consoled by checking that their parents had crashed out too.

But the effort of it all was too great, and the hint of emerging wildness perhaps too real: anyway, the carnival was dropped for this year. Queuing for bread at the bakers, the residents – the new wave of senior citizens, crisp and smart in dinky tweeds – mutter to each other about how "the visitors" make shopping impossible. The beer is Adnams; it is brewed in the town, scents it, and is delivered by dray horse. Mostly the pubs are accommodating: children's rooms serve cut-price deep-freeze suppers, and seem pleased to see even the late-night offspring of camping families. Their holiday rhythm is one long blast of sun, wind and walks, from sun-up to sundown, with no distinction between the generations.

The camp-site is between the sea and what was once the town's marsh. The marshland and its dykes give the campers views of wilderness of a sort, and I find I don't need anywhere to be much wilder or lonelier than this. If we feel doughty, we can always go to Dunwich or Minsmere, nearby.

The entire self-sufficiency experience of camping at Southwold is just right: fish bought from the fisherman's hand, fennel picked in the hedgerows, beer brewed under the lighthouse's eye. There is even parish pump sagery. The children go crabbing while the parents chuck nearby, mourning the violence in society or whatever everyone's current beef is. Fashions sweep the campers: now, no one would feel quite right without a barbecue, and the evening scene has more billowing smoke than a Western's bivouac. Then into town for a beer, a long trek there and a longer one back in the lee of the dunes and the sea wall.

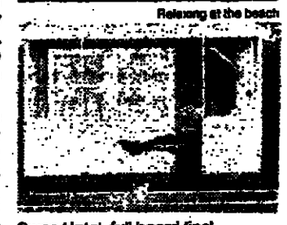
This is a sea-going fishing port still, though the harbour is in the creek of the Blyth, across which is Walberswick (somehow a touch more painterly than Southwold). A rowing boat ferry downstream and, further inland, an abandoned railway bridge whose track is now a footpath connect the two. A gravel lane runs along the estuarine harbour, with its wooden jetties, nets and a few yachts, from the camp-site to the Harbour Inn and beyond, up to that lovely church where the salt marsh gives way to river proper, in the reedish landscape which Britten made respectable.

This summer, I wondered if we should seek more dramatic holidays. Then, at 5am, I heard the lifeboat's maroon while I lay in the peculiar muggy glow of a tent at dawn. At the harbour mouth, pinned on its side by a strong tide, a fierce wind, the birth of a mockingly bright day and the comments of a few fishermen, was a beautiful, suffering Dutch yacht aground and battered by waves.

Who said that Southwold was undramatic? But perhaps, just perhaps, it does suffer – if that is the word – from a slight smugness about itself, which is shared even by those who only aspire to a few square feet of its downtown sward. Otherwise, heaven.

TRAVEL NOTES

Relaxing at the beach



Swan Hotel, full board (incl afternoon tea, of course): £32/37.50 incl VAT per person (0502 722186).
Harbour Caravan Site, Ferry Road, Southwold (0502 722486). Booking advisable, £4 per night for family tent, showers, loos and washing-up facilities included.
Rowing boat ferry across the Blyth: 10p.

Duncan Stewart

Transport of delight in Tuscany

Trains and boats offer a sane alternative to driving in Italy, writes John P. Harris

Why Leghorn? It has no major tourist sights, no luxury hotels and not a Botticelli in the place.

It has a trump card: it is an admirably convenient centre for users of public transport. Italy can be delightful, but many people – and I am one – find driving there pure hell. Compared with France it is grossly overcrowded: every Italian has a motor car and uses it vigorously.

Unless one confines oneself to mountain villages (and precipices) one is condemned to sweat it out in smelly traffic jams near crossroads that can be negotiated only with Latin bravura, or to funnel oneself into motorways infested by hurtling articulated lorries and limousines piloted by thick-necked persons zooming towards the sauerkraut and bratwurst of Sorrento. Oh, it is so nice to leave the car at home!

The Rome Express stops at Leghorn. Leave Victoria today and wake up at Livorno (as the locals obstinately call the place) tomorrow morning, with no change of trains after Calais. Or fly – Pisa is the airport, next door. Then settle in for a week's or a fortnight's operations.

There are frequent trains to Pisa, a quarter of an hour away, and one must climb the Leaning Tower once in one's life (twice would be over-doing it). The Tower, the Baptistery, the Cathedral (where Galileo invented the pendulum, watching a swaying candelabrum during the sermon) and the Campo Santo are all neatly grouped together on the grass, surrounded by picturesque coach-loads of Japanese and Finns, and by stalls selling Leaning Towers with electric lights inside, Sacred Hearts, Michelangelo's David in small sizes and dinner plates with Pope John and President Kennedy on them.

That part of the town is a mile from the station: a pleasant stroll through less crowded streets, some for pedestrians only. There are other things to see in Pisa – the Museo Nazionale for one – but having done the Tower the crowds move on. Eat at Sergio's on the River Arno, more cheaply at fast-food joints near the Tower, or at pizzerias near the university.

A lovely little railcar trundles its way up the Apuane Alps

Lucca, one hour by train, is well worth a visit. An agreeable city with a good promenade around the ramparts, it has decent restaurants (I like the Buca di Sant'Antonio), interesting churches and old streets (don't miss the Piazza del Anfiteatro).

Of course there is Florence, an hour and a half away. To "do" it properly takes a week, *or a lifetime. But if one has* never been there before, a well-planned day trip gives a satisfactory taste. Others have written about Florence, so I won't.

Siena is two hours away (change at Empoli). So is Volterra (change at Cecina), but as the station is on the plain you need the bus to reach this Etruscan hill-top town.

And for real railway buffs there is a lovely little railcar that trundles its way slowly up and down through the Apuane Alps from Lucca to Aulla and back, two hours each way (take a picnic).

What about the sea? There are daily boats from Leghorn to Elba, a three-hour trip. Usually the time-table forces one to spend the night on the island. No problem: Elba has lots of hotels nowadays, many in the luxury class (back-packing hippies who want to sleep on the beaches tend to get chivvied on) and there are good bus services from the port of Portoferraio.

There are other Tuscan islands. Capraia means a three-hour sail, sometimes with a stop at Gorgona (a penal colony) on the way. Here the time-table permits a return trip in the day, with a few hours on the island, which has hotels with restaurants.

There are boats every day to Bastia, in Corsica, which take about four hours. In the season one can go there and back in a day. Or go home that way: take a Corsican train or bus to Ajaccio or Calvi, another boat to Toulon or Nice, and there's the train.

Recommending Leghorn as a convenient and economical advance base for such expeditions is unfair to the town itself. What has it got to offer?

There is a world of difference between, say, Liverpool or Rotterdam and a thriving Mediterranean seaport. The sky, the colours, the cheerfulness . . . it is no hardship to lunch on spaghetti, *fritto misto* and a bottle of wine under a striped awning overlooking the passenger harbour. There, with luck, the three-masted sailing ship Amerigo Vespucci might be taking on a load of smart cadets with tiny swords dangling at their belts.

Wander past the statue of Ferdinand I and the four chained Moors (there was once a slave market here), the dry dock, the shipyard, the little fishing boats (they catch sardines at night, with flares in the prow) and you reach a wide promenade. It runs on for a couple of miles, past the aquarium, the bathing beaches, the hopeful anglers, the Naval Academy, the race course and villas both Renaissance and Victorian. Avoid the centre of that suburb.

The autostrada from Nice via Genoa just manages to bypass Leghorn and then peters out, leaving the traffic to hoot and stink its way onward to Rome. But the sea front is civilized. There's a little palazzo where Emma Hamilton used to stay when Nelson was in port.

In fact there's a strong local connection with England, forged by the son of Elizabeth's favourite, Leicester. Robert Dudley, born in 1574, was a colonel at 14, a student of shipbuilding at Oxford, then a naval captain: sailing to the Orinoco and destroying Spanish ships.

Piqued because the Star Chamber refused to declare his legitimacy, he came to Tuscany in 1605 and stayed 45 years, serving the Medicis. He designed and built a war fleet in Leghorn for the Grand-Duke Ferdinand I, swept the seas of pirates and reconstructed the harbour fortifications.

Fish, flesh, fowl and great wheels of Parmesan cheese

He wrote the great *Arcano del Mare*, the bible of contemporary naval science. There's a plaque to his memory near the Fortezza Vecchia: *A Roberto Dudley, duca di Nortumbria . . .*

From his time onward, trade with England was busy. It was a free port, with a colony of British businessmen importing wheat from King's Lynn, red herrings from Yarmouth and coal from Newcastle. It became a semi-official base for the Royal Navy, and Nelson knew it well.

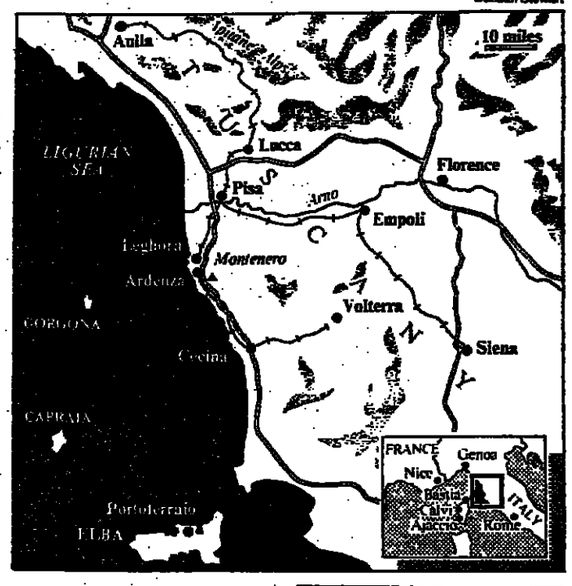
There were regular shipping lines from London and Liverpool well into the past century. No wonder the Cimitero Inglese in the Via Verdi, was full by 1840. There one should shed a tear on the grave (a fine obelisk, actually) of Smollett, that bad-tempered traveller, who wrote *Humphrey Clinker* at Leghorn then died; and on the sentimental, graceful and eloquent tombs of British peers, generals, consuls, vicars and a couple of sailors whose cannon exploded when saluting the King's birthday.

Consider, too, the sonorous counsels of moderation on the tomb of a British officer who died of over-indulgence at a reception in Florence in the 1820s.

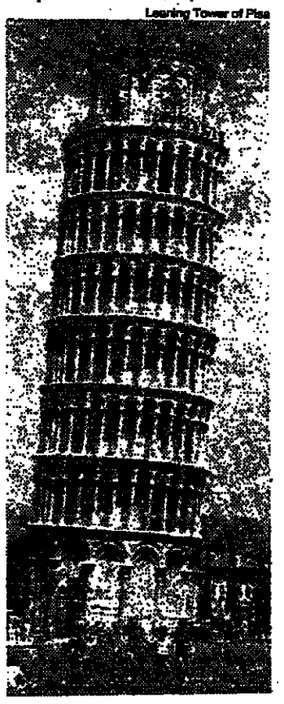
There are livelier scenes at the big market hall: Mediterranean fish, flesh and fowl, courgettes with their flowers a-bloom for fritters, and great wheels of Parmesan cheese; cheapjacks and peasants at the Friday open-air market; and the so-called "black" or "American" market, where years ago government surplus was peddled (some not so surplus; arriving by obscure routes). It now goes in for transistors, jeans and so forth – as animated and cheerful as the clichés about Tuscany.

A short bus ride should certainly be taken to Montenero, the Black Mountain. There are sweeping views of land and sea at the top, from the Via Giorgio Byron (our Giorgio lived there for a while).

And the big church has a Virgin who works miracles with gratifying efficiency, to judge from the multitudes of ex-voto pictures that hang there in thanks for the narrow escapes of passengers flung from overturned stage-coaches, potential murder victims in quarrels outside the butcher's, babies falling out of bed, and more recently motorcyclists crashing into cars – but alas, the modern survivor tends to exhibit a photograph of a battered vehicle rather than a vivid semi-amateur painting.



Leaning Tower of Pisa



TRAVEL NOTES

For information contact the Italian State Tourist Office, 1 Princes Street, London W1 (01-408 1254). Citalia at 50-51 Conduit Street, London W1 (01-434 3844), represents Italian Railways. The railway station is a long walk, dull after the first time, from the centre. But there is a good bus service, and taxis do not cost a lot.
The tourist office in Livorno is at Ente Provinciale per il Turismo, 6 Piazza Cavour, 57100 Livorno, Italy (Livorno 33111). There are plenty of hotels ranging from 1–3 star.
Albergo Gran Duca, 16 Piazza Michell, 57100 Livorno, Italy (Livorno 32024), has 47 rooms and charges about £25 a night for two with bathroom, and is more or less in the 15th-century fortress, convenient for shopping in the centre.

IT'S SUMMER IN ITALY
There's still time to find a villa or hotel holiday in the lovelier parts of Italy . . . by Sardinia's beautiful beaches, the romantic Amalfi Coast, the relaxing Lakes.
On little Lake Iseo, Villa Vittoria is a bargain from only £255 for 1 week – even cheaper in October. While in Tuscany there are both villas and hotels with swimming pool. Exclusive but affordable. FREE brochure from:
Magic of Italy
01-749 7449 (24 hrs)
01-743 9555 (reservations)

Cezanne to Picasso
IN FRENCH SPEAKING SWITZERLAND
For details of this fascinating exhibition in Lausanne together with our brochure on individual inclusive holidays to that beautiful city, write or phone—
Time Off Ltd., 2a Chester Close, London SW1X 7BQ.
01-235 8070.

TAORMINA Sicily
Taormina is known all over the world for its beautiful scenery, superb beaches, historic sites and interesting excursions to Mount Etna, Messina and the Aeolian Islands. The CATA Group offer excellent accommodation in all price ranges, also restaurants, bars, night clubs and beach establishments. Direct air travel to Catania from £169 return. Cost per night: from £7 with breakfast; from £13 half board. Ideal for late summer holidays.
For brochure, information and reservations contact:-
CATA HOTELS
ERNA LOW CONSULTANTS
(CATA Hotel Representation)
9 Reece Mews, London SW7 3HE.
Tel: 01-584 2841 (24 hr) 584 7820

TRAVEL



Held to ransom: working the one-armed bandits in Las Vegas

Gambling centre of the galaxy

The fruit machine was being sick: sicker than any fruit machine I had ever seen. Its steel insides shuddered with convulsive generosity and a silver cascade fell over the collecting tray on to the floor.

Even in Las Vegas, the Niagarous fall of money turns heads. People in the casino stopped to watch and the cause of the machine's discomfort, a woman of cultured pearls and lucky touch, looked embarrassed. She was trying to shovel the money into a plastic bucket which is provided for such emergencies. But it was a losing battle and elation was impossible under the stare of jealous eyes who had seen their own money digested with nothing but keen ingratitude.

I had a vision of the casino king in his counting house, counting out the woman's bucketful of 25 cent pieces, and the woman like some petulant election candidate, demanding a recount. But minutes later she was back, bucket empty and $500 in notes in her hand. She had simply poured her winnings into a sort of electronic gobbler which swiftly counted the money and changed it into dollar bills. Two thousand coins, $500 – exactly.

Some 13 million visitors come to Las Vegas each year and for their average four-day stay they are hermetically sealed by the desert into an oasis of frivolous unreality where time has ambled to a halt (there are no clocks), and an earthly eternity of gambling, money and flesh-shows has taken over. It sounds a depressing scenario where the sins of a godless America find haven.

Yet in the afternoon underworld of one of the big casinos, fluorescent shadow contrasting unhealthily with azure sky and snow-capped mountains outside, there exists a quite unexpected warmth and friendliness. It is the camaraderie of the brave and of the damned. East Coast high roller, local cowboy and Japanese tourist – gamblers all, they must lose all.

Though a "hall of fame" looks down from the casino walls – rows of frozen faces who have won $100,000 – that is only a sub-plot to the central theme. The roulette wheel spins no favours, but this equality dissolves barriers of race and class and, as some poppy drug, releases a fusion of cheerful doom and good will which I have never seen elsewhere.

The splashiest casino hotels are along The Strip, where it all began in 1940. At night it turns into a neon fantasy, cartwheeling colours which bedazzle and rape the eye and whose overwhelming vulgarity assumes a passing grandeur. An exhortation pasted in the hotel bedroom to conserve "precious" energy, falls rather flat after seeing the electric mega-waste outside.

Three miles away is downtown, known as "Glitter Gulch", which is another showy cluster of 15 casino hotels. In between is a no-man's-land of run-down motels and wedding parlours. Las Vegas is America's Gretna Green and the parlours provide an all-inclusive and immediate service – dressing rooms, witnesses, minister and video recording.

In the city's cheaper hotels, the bedside Gideon Bible has given way to a colour brochure advertising "Las Vegas Showgirls". A bikinied blonde on the front cover pouts her telephone number and the inquiry "Are you man enough?". Inside is an advertisement for the "Cherry Patch", the nearest legal brothel to Las Vegas, "only an hour's scenic drive away". But it is gambling, not sex, which draws the millions to Vegas and in general the seamier side remains surprisingly in the background.

In recent years the pre-eminence which Las Vegas has enjoyed, as gambling centre of the galaxy, has been threatened by the emergence of rival Atlantic City. Las Vegas is fighting back in a manner gleaming with opulent overstatement: an $800 million airport remodelling, a $26 million baseball field and a $10 million worldwide advertising campaign which emphasized the city's change from high roller town to middle-class mecca where the kids can come too.

All that glisters is not gold they say. But in Las Vegas it's amazing what they can do with a bit of glitter.

Martin Wills

TRAVEL NOTES

British Airways to Las Vegas via Los Angeles (flying a US carrier on the second leg) Apex from £370 return. First class £2,604 return. Further information is obtainable from the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, 3150 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada (Las Vegas 733 2323). Expect to pay from £35 to £80 a night for a double room in a medium grade hotel in the centre of town. Prices are per room, not per person, and exclude meals.

Securing your holiday touring

Richard Thomson clears a path through the motor insurance jungle

Driving a car abroad holds uncommon hazards. Most of the rest of the world, after all, drives on the wrong side of the road. And many returning Britons tend to be of the opinion that driving standards in the country they have just visited are not perhaps what they might be. So the careful traveller will make sure he is adequately insured.

At least, he will try. Through no fault of his own, he may well not succeed. Whether you are going on a fly/drive holiday, hiring a car or taking your own, you could easily find yourself grossly under-insured if an accident happens.

Problems stem from statutory motor insurance requirements: in virtually every country they are different. In the United States things are even more complex since each state has its own requirements.

For example, in Britain, third party risk – which covers you against being sued for the death or injury of other people in an accident – must be unlimited, but there is no requirement for cover against property damaged in an accident. In most countries on the Continent, however, the situation is reversed. There is a statutory minimum requirement for cover against damaged property and a minimum limit set on third party cover.

Under present EEC rules you can take your car to the Continent and your UK insurance policy will still be valid. But it will only cover you up to the statutory minimum of the country in which you are travelling. In some countries, the amount is so high that it would probably cover any likely claims against you. In Belgium, for instance, cover for both personal injury and property damage is unlimited. But in others, particularly Turkey, where the personal injury minimum is a paltry 750,000 lira (around £1,000) you would almost certainly find yourself having to foot the lion's share of claims against you out of your own pocket.

The limits in different countries tend to be laid out differently as well. Denmark lays down a total personal injury minimum of Kr 10 million (£714,000) per accident while France has a limit of F5 million (£423,000) per claim per vehicle – though some vehicles attract unlimited cover. West Germany and Italy put limits on each person injured. In the former the amount is DM 1 million (£258,000) per person while in Italy this drops to L75 million (£29,000). Greece is another potential black spot since the total personal injury limit on each accident is a mere Dr 1.5 million (£8,200).

A further hazard is that in some countries the statutory requirements do not include other members of the family.

The simple solution to this is to make sure you take a "green card" with you, which your own UK insurance company will provide on request. The card upgrades your insurance cover to its full UK value anywhere in the EEC. Turkey and some Eastern European countries such as East Germany and Czechoslovakia. But it may still leave you under-insured as far as property damage is concerned.

If you are hiring a car abroad, the situation is even worse. The hire company will offer you insurance giving "full cover" but the chances are that it will give you nothing more than the statutory minimum of the country concerned. There is not much you can do about that.

As a spokesman for General Accident, Britain's largest motor insurer, explained, "a UK insurance company would not give you extra cover for car hire before you actually went abroad because it would not know what car you were driving or where you intended to go". A British company might direct you to one of its local agents or even to a related insurance company in the country you were visiting. That might solve the problem of how to get extra cover locally but will add considerably to the complications of organizing your holiday.

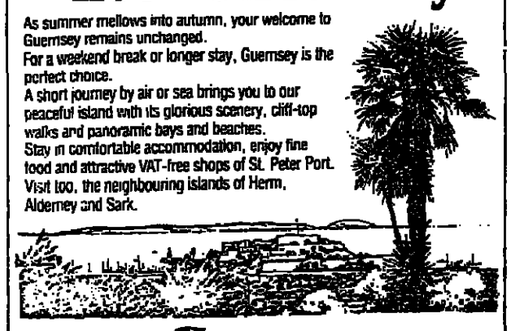
However, you can buy extra cover in this country before going abroad if you are renting a car in the USA. Following publicity in the last two years about the shortcomings of visitors' motor policies in North America, a scheme has now been arranged which enables extra cover to be bought in advance.

The alternative, and probably the safest, method to rent a car and get reasonable insurance cover, is to go through one of the big international car rental firms. They automatically include the cost of the cover in the overall rental charge. Avis, for instance, gives third party cover of $100,000 per person with a limit on the total injury cover per accident of $300,000, for the USA. Property damage cover is $25,000 per accident. The companies insist that the cover they offer is always well above the statutory minimums of the countries where the car is being driven.

The other benefit of hiring through them is that your insurance policy is in English. There is great merit in understanding your policy before finding out the hard way – after an accident.

Another world ...not worlds away!

As summer mellows into autumn, your welcome to Guernsey remains unchanged.
For a weekend break or longer stay, Guernsey is the perfect choice.
A short journey by air or sea brings you to our peaceful island with its glorious scenery, cliff-top walks and panoramic bays and beaches.
Stay in comfortable accommodation, enjoy fine food and attractive VAT-free shops of St. Peter Port.
Visit too, the neighbouring islands of Herm, Alderney and Sark.



that's **Guernsey**
Herm, Alderney & Sark

For full information on the island, accommodation and travel phone 0481 23557 (24 hours) or complete and send coupon.
To: Guernsey Tourist Board, Dept. 17, PO Box 23, Guernsey, C.I.
Name
Address

24 Hours 0481 23557

OUT AND ABOUT: ON THE BEACH

There's more to the seaside than sunbathing and sandcastles. Fishing, for example, and photography...

Direct lines to the deep, no charges made

Stewart Tendler provides the maritime angler with some tips



Beach boys: a group of fishermen in a competition at Brighton

Few holidaymakers can resist pausing to watch the line of sea anglers at the end of a pier. Their presence is almost as essential to the image of a resort holiday as funfairs, fish and chips and saucy postcards.

Hour after hour they wait stoically by their pails of bait, boxes of leads and businesslike rods. A rod tip bends, the angler reels in frantically and, if he is lucky, a fish is on the end. If not his efforts reveal nothing more than a nibbled lugworm.

Sea angling is a year-round sport for its *aficionados* but there is no reason why the holidaying angler should not try his hand during the warm, pleasant days of summer. After all, sea angling is one of the least restricted forms of fishing. The sea is not privately owned nor does the fisherman require a licence.

However, the chances of getting on to a boat and fishing at any depth out to sea are limited during holiday times simply because most skippers are fully booked, particularly at weekends. A weekday might be possible but it's best for the beginner to start with a little practice on shore.

At this time of year, according to the National Federation of Sea Anglers, there is a fair variety of fish around our coasts. On the East Coast from the Thames Estuary south there are flounders, bass, eels and garfish while coming round on to the Kent coast and the Channel the angler could also hope for dabs, dogfish and pouting. At night or early in the morning there may also be some sole.

Further along the South Coast there may be mackerel and as we go west and the coast grows rocky the angler could find wrasse, spurdog and tope. There may also be coalfish, skate, pollock and conger eels.

Off Wales and the North-West the fishing catch could include whiting and this year there are said to be quite a lot of bass. This is less true further north, but while Scotland lacks many of the southern fish there are codling instead. On the north-east coast there are flounders and coalfish but coming south past the Humber the catch changes to dabs, whiting and pouting.

The type of fish to be found depends on the nature of the shoreline and the feeding habits of the fish. Flounders, for example, may be in the mudflats and creeks of estuaries while codling and tope feed on the waters round reefs or at the bottom of cliffs. Piers can provide rich pickings of mullet, bass and small bream.

This is also the time of year when sea trout and salmon start to move into rivers in the South-West and Wales, but they are covered by licence requirements.

The sort of tackle a novice sea angler requires could cost between £20 and £60 depending on what he wants to spend. The federation does not recommend the simple hand lines on sale at most resorts because they are dangerous to cast, requiring the angler to swing the leaded line like a bolus before casting.

A reasonable beach rod could be bought for about £20 and the prices of reels vary. It is possible to use coarse tackle like a pike rod, but with heavier line at between 25 and 30lb to break the strain. Mackerel and bass can be caught on fly fishing tackle but elegant casting is hardly likely on a pier.

Baits will depend on the area and local tackle dealers are the best source of information. They will also be able to advise on good spots or problems. There may be a fee for pier fishing but there should be few other costs. Freshwater hand nets are not usually needed. Fishing on rocky stretches of coasts will need care because the sea is a far more lively water than anything inland. A change of weather can produce heavier waves and possible danger.

It is always worth checking tide tables and getting a weather forecast before setting off.

Local resort tourist offices will provide details of fishing conditions. *The Sea Angler's Guide to Britain and Ireland* by John Darling (Lutterworth Press, £8.50) gives details of likely spots, the fishing possibilities and includes local places of interest for the rest of the family. The *Pocket Guide to Saltwater Fishing* by Michael Prichard (Collins, £2.95) is a good beginner's guide which will tuck into a jacket for quick reference.

Dramatic developments beneath the surface

Roy Cuckow gives the lowdown on taking pictures underwater

Anyone wishing to break new ground on the beach could hardly do better than leave the ground altogether and take to the water.

Recent years have seen a growing popularity in photography beneath the waves with the emergence of affordable underwater equipment. But because of the simple fact that water is thicker than air (apart from being wet) it throws up a whole range of new problems.

The first of these is refraction. As light passes from the thicker medium to the thinner medium of air in which the camera and film are enclosed, the light "bends", distorting the image. The same effect can be seen when a swimmer's leg is half in and half out of the water. The effect of refraction is to make lenses behave differently underwater to the way they perform on land by narrowing their angle of coverage, making a 35mm lens behave more like a 50mm one.

The second problem is plankton which reflects light like dust thus causing blurred focus, especially when, as is often the case, electronic flash has to be used.

The way around the combined problems of refraction, plankton and general poor visibility is to use wide angle lenses of 24mm or wider for their good depth-of-field at wide apertures, or macro lenses to get in close to the subject. Macro (close-up) photography usually proves the most successful starting point for beginners with stationary subjects such as starfish, anemones and coral.

Exposure, too, must be recalculated underwater unless an underwater exposure meter is used or a special and expensive through-the-lens metering system is incorporated, as with Nikon's Nikonos V and the Hanimex Amphibian. As a rule, the aperture will have to be opened by at least a stop more than the equivalent land exposure.

The deeper you go, the more is colour absorbed by the water. Red is lost at around 20ft depth, orange at 35ft, yellow at 65ft, while everything becomes just a bluish grey at around 100ft.

In comparison with prices for land cameras, where adequate models are quite cheap in the limited range of water-tight equipment you get only what you pay for. But for those who wish no more than to take a few pictures while snorkelling, the Minolta Weathermatic at £50 could be the answer, being waterproof to a depth of 15ft. It takes 110 format cartridge film and can be happily used on land too.

Also taking 110 cartridge film are the Sea & Sea Pocketmarine (£115 approx) and the Hanimex Amphibian 110 (£146), both waterproof to a depth of 150ft and, like Instamatic cameras, with fixed focus lenses. As with all 110 format cameras, the small size of the film limits the image quality and much more satisfying results are to be had with 35mm cameras.

Cheapest in the 35mm range is the Sea and Sea Motormarine (£190) which is focused manually but has a fixed shutter speed of 1/100th of a second. More sophisticated is the Hanimex 35mm Amphibian with motorized film advance and programmed exposure metering, all for £274.

But the star of 35mm underwater gear must be the Nikonos V, originally developed in co-operation with Jacques Cousteau, and made by Nikon. Equally versatile on land or in water, it is an auto/manual professional quality camera offering extremely accurate through-the-lens flash exposure metering with the Nikon 102 Speedlight. Price about £360, flash extra. The earlier Nikonos III was a long-time favourite with experienced sub-aquatic photographers and it may be possible to pick up a good one second-hand.

Although all the cameras mentioned, with the exception of the Nikonos V, have built-in flash, these are only really effective in clear water, so extras such as powerful off-camera flashguns or strobes (price range £80-£400) can prove essential for consistent results. Hanimex are to introduce a specially priced package offer of their strobe (normally £215) when bought with a Hanimex camera.

An alternative to investing in an underwater camera is to consider a waterproof housing for your ordinary 35mm camera. Though this may sound a good option, underwater housings cost upwards of £300 and prevent manual focusing of the camera. Also available is a waterproof plastic bag made by Ewa-Marine of Hendon, north London, which offers access to the camera via a built-in "glove," and costs only £36. It will accommodate a standard 35mm, and although it is clumsy to use it could prove a reasonable and inexpensive starting point.

For colour prints, Kodacolor VR100 film works well for general shots, Kodachrome 64 200 for slides. Underwater photography offers a whole new world to be recorded.



Planet Earth pictures

Close-up: a well-equipped diver homes in on a pencil sea urchin on the bottom of the Red Sea

BANK HOLIDAY OUTINGS

Judy Froshaug comes to the aid of families who are keen to make the most of their leisure time over the weekend

Most museums, galleries, historic monuments and stately homes will be open to the public over the Bank holiday. But if you are planning to travel any distance, it is worth double-checking by telephone to confirm opening times and closures. Old favourites and more unusual suggestions are included in this selection of holiday treats.

NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM: All aspects of British maritime history, with excellent collections of vessels, instruments, paintings, memorabilia of such famous sailors and explorers as Nelson and Cook, a barge house and much more. Combine with a visit to the Old Royal Observatory in the park and the Cutty Sark.
Romney Road, Greenwich, London SE10 (01-858 4422). Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2pm-5.30pm. Adult £1, child 50p.

NATURAL HISTORY AND GEOLOGICAL MUSEUM: A family favourite for museum-goers with many well laid out galleries covering all aspects of natural history plus, during the holidays, "hands on" discovery exhibitions. The Geological Museum, housed within, celebrates its 150th anniversary this year with several exhibitions, including one showing the history and work of the British Geological Survey (until Sept 16). Combine with visit to Science and Victoria and Albert museums.
Cromwell Road, London SW7 (01-589 6373). Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2.30pm-6pm. Free.

MADAME TUSSAUD: Still considered the best collection of waxworks in the country – with both the chamber of horrors and the line-up of modern celebrities compulsive viewing for the young. However, Tussaud's "Royalty and Empire" exhibition at Windsor vies with the original for popularity and provides a pleasant alternative.
Baker Street, London NW1 (01-935 6861). Daily 9am-5.30pm. Adult £3.30, child £1.85. Combine ticket to Madame Tussaud and the Planetarium: adults £4.45, child £2.55. "Royalty and Empire" Exhibition, Windsor and Eton Central Station, Thames Street, Windsor, Berks (07535 57837). Daily, 9.30am-5.30pm. Adult £2.35, child £1.65.

NATIONAL ARMY MUSEUM: History of the British Army, Commonwealth and Indian armies, all beautifully displayed. Current exhibition (until Dec 31) – "Jubilee Silver" – celebrates 25 years of the museum's existence and contains many fine pieces of regimental silver, some of which have never previously been on show before.
Royal Hospital Road, London SW3 (01-730 0717). Mon-Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun 2pm-5.30pm. Free.

PORTSMOUTH NAVY DAYS: Ships open to the public, flying displays, harbour trips and also the Naval Museum, plus tours of HMS Victory and the Mary Rose.
HM Dockyard, Queen Street, Portsmouth, Hants (0705 839011). Today, tomorrow, Mon 10am-6pm. Adult £2, child £1, car plus all occupants £5.

INLAND WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION RALLY: Between 600-700 working narrow boats are expected to congregate for the rally. Events include American football, marching bands, also a craft fair, a funfair, stands and stalls and boat trips.
Newlands Grand Union Canal, Brickhill Street, Milton Keynes, Bucks. Further information (0908 606747). Today, tomorrow, Mon 10am-6pm. Adult £1, child 50p.

GREATER LONDON HORSE SHOW: Annual event which provides a jolly family outing, with showjumping, many exhibitions including agricultural and horticultural displays, a mobile zoo, clowns, puppets, magic show and other children's entertainments.
Clapham Common, London SW4. Further information from Caroline Griffith (07535 60633). Today, tomorrow, Mon 8.30am-6pm. Free.

CHILTERNS CRAFT SHOW: About 150 craftsmen demonstrating and selling their produce, much of it rural. Beautiful grounds to explore.
Stonor Park, Stonor, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. Further information from David Bennett (04252 72511). Today, tomorrow, Mon 10am-6pm. Adult £1.60, child 90p.

INTERNATIONAL TEDDY BEAR REUNION: Bears of all sorts from all over the world with marquee for VIP bears, including a number belonging to the royal family. All proceeds to the Save the Children Fund.
Longleat House, Warminster, Wilts (09853 551). Tomorrow and Mon 11am-6pm. Admission to grounds 50p plus 50p to VIP tent.

FESTIVAL OF TRANSPORT: Vintage cars, steam engines, buses, motor cycles and stationary engines. Arena events include police dog handling teams and tug of war on Sat, Royal Air Force vintage flyover on Mon.
Broad Farm, Hellingly, near Hailsham, Sussex. Further information (0323 840986). Today, tomorrow, Mon 11am-5.30pm. Adult £1.50, child 50p.

DAY OF SYN: Pageant celebrating the history of smuggling across Romney Marshes according to Russell Thorndike (brother of Sybil). Contraband ships arrive on the beach at 1.30pm followed by mock battle and procession to the fête field for fun, games and a fair. Townsfolk dress in late 18th-century costume and celebrate throughout the day.
Dymchurch Beach, Dymchurch, Kent. Further information Ruth Peters (0303 874354). Mon from 9.30am. Free.

BANK HOLIDAY CAR RACING: A number of races including those for Formula Ford 1600s, BARC/MGOG Racing MGs, historic GTs, classic saloons.
Thruxton Circuit, Andover, Hampshire (026477 2696). Mon practice from 9.05am, racing from 1.30pm. Adult £4, child 70p.

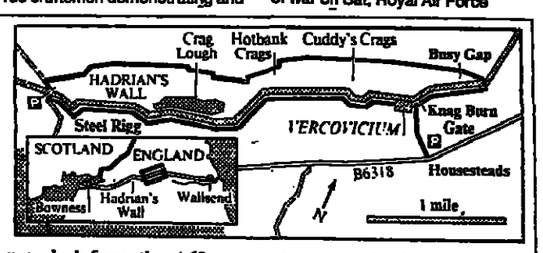
MARLBORO BRITISH FORMULA 3 CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING: Similar meeting to the above, also with Formula Ford 1600s plus MG Metros, MGBs, Renault 5 turbos and several others.
Silverstone Race Circuit, Towcester, Northamptonshire (0327 857273). Mon, practice from 9am, first race 2.30pm. Adult £4, child free.

TOWN AND COUNTRY FESTIVAL: The many entertainments include the Kenilworth Agricultural Show, a motoring festival, fashion show, country sports, show jumping, BMX display, model and craft demonstration (including the rumbustious cook, Rustie Lee) and sports for all the family.
Royal Showground, Stoneleigh, Kenilworth, Warwicks (0203 555100). Today, tomorrow, Mon 9.30am-7.30pm. Adult £3, child £1.50.

BARGE MATCH: Rare opportunity to see Thames sailing barges pitting sails and strength against each other. Between 15 and 20 of the 50 or so still seaworthy barges are expected.
Seafront, Southend-on-Sea, Essex. Further information from Morag Colgan (0702 75056). Today from 10am. Free.

WEEKLY WALKS

NORTHUMBERLAND
Hadrian's Wall
Distance: 8 miles



There is a seemingly insoluble question which is always one step ahead of us walkers: how to make a line into a circle if we are only out for a day. Put more simply, it is this: how do we get back to the car without re-treading our own footsteps? The light is fading and the nearest thing to public transport is the back of a passing bullock. After you, sir.

Walks don't come any more linear than Hadrian's Wall, which takes the shortest course across England by way of the whin sill (dark layers of hard rock) from Bowness on the Solway Firth to Wallsend on the Tyne. An excellent little book* by Prewetts, the wholefood people, has come up with a useful ploy, taking us from Housesteads car park (by the old Roman fort of Vercovicium) on the B6318, approached from the A69 west out of Newcastle.

It is not so much a circle as a lozenge, running eastwards to Knag Burn Gate, the intriguing remnant of a fourth century customs post. Here a stream still runs beneath the wall along a culvert constructed by the Romans.

Continuing to the east along the great wall's line, you have a vivid view of the drainage patterns below on the northerly land. The Prewett perambulation has us doubling back sharply to the west soon after the aptly named Busy Gap, where many an unpleasantry was exchanged between the clans of the borders. Then it is a four-mile hike parallel with, but not too close to, the wall as far as Steel Rigg (another car park here, by the way). Then eastwards once more with crags all the way. First Crag Lough, then Hotbank Crags, then Cuddy's Crags. This last is the best bit of the walk from which you can see the wall, still in fine nick, striding along the top of the rugged scarp. A case of Man gilding Nature's lily, if ever I saw one..

Alan Franks

**Prewett's Book of Family Walks* by Neil Wenborn (Martin Books, £1.75).

IN THE GARDEN

Underground agents to guarantee colour

Although our summer, if there has been one, is not yet officially over we must now think about spring colour in the garden for 1986. Flowering bulbs are probably the best suppliers of early colour and they fit into most gardens. Bulbs have their spring flowering potential already built in; if all you were to supply them with was water, they would still flower. They might not be as good as bulbs grown in soil, but a fine display could still be expected. Almost all bulbs like to be in soils which are well drained and, if you avoid the extremes in the pH range, you will find that they will usually tolerate acid or alkaline soils.

One of the nicest ways I know of using bulbs is to naturalize them: that is, to plant them out in selected sites where they will remain undisturbed until the stock breaks down.

Naturalized bulbs must be fed during the summer to enable them to produce bulbs of flowering size the following spring. They prefer a good all-purpose fertilizer, preferably one which is not too high in nitrogen. Feed twice during the growing season, beginning once you notice that the bulbs are past their best.

Never remove the foliage from naturalized bulbs until it has become like straw when it can be cut away and the lawn itself tidied up. Do not tie the foliage from naturalized bulbs with string or elastic bands; it's best to allow the natural processes to take place.

If you plant bedding bulbs, they must be removed once they have finished flowering so you can get the next bedding scheme in. This often means lifting the bulbs before they have been allowed to die back. Carefully lift and label the groups so that when they are required next year, you do have some idea of the height and colour of each variety; try to lift them so that bulb and foliage are still attached.

Naturalizing varieties: Select the site carefully: for example small bulbs will be hidden in tall rough grass. Some of the better narcissus for naturalizing would include *N cyclamineus* and its forms, *N bulbocodium*, both about 6in tall. General naturalizing forms would include King Alfred, Mount Hood, Golden Harvest and Dutch Master. Jonquils and actaea are tall enough to look over rougher grass areas. Smaller bulbs include: *Iris reticulata, Scilla sibirica, Chionodoxa lucillae* and of course the bluebells.

Bedding varieties: All the narcissus can be used from cyclamineus, which flowers in February, to Royal Standard, which is the latest flowering variety I know. There are species tulips such as *T eichleri* and *T tarda;* the hybrids of *T Greigii* and *Kaufmanniana* as well as the single and double earlies; also the cottage tulips plus the mainstays which are the Darwins and the Darwin hybrids. Hyacinths give off a delightful scent, gladioli give a different form to the beds as do the Dutch types of iris.

Use the dwarf forms indoors: narcissus and tulips are both good in pots; try N Paperwhite and N Halvose to change the format. N Geranium is one of the best and you get a lot of the fairly small bulbs in a pot. Double early tulips make a great pot show as do hyacinths.

Jill Feld



Bright bunch (left to right): Chionodoxa lucillae, Narcissus King Alfred, N Bulbocodium, Tulip tarda N Cyclamineus



Up the garden path: carefully sited vistas in a personal version of paradise

Controlled elegance in the pursuit of privacy

Michael Young on the delightful legacy of a painter turned gardener

In William Lawson's book, *A New Orchard and Garden*, published in 1676, there is a drawing of his ideal garden: small and rectilinear, it is a series of outdoor spaces defined by a rigid geometry and each area has a specific planting with either flowers, vegetables, fruit or decorative knots.

Many 20th-century gardens echo such ordered designs, with a tendency toward small enclosures set within a precise framework. Indeed, the history of gardens in this century is one of intimate private spaces in which people have attempted to construct their own versions of paradise.

The tone of much that we admire today was set early in the century by Gertrude Jekyll. Her understanding of plant association and colour was unique, her sense of design outstanding and her style one of colour perceived in a painterly, thoroughly modern way.

Gardening in the Jekyll tradition is a fine art. No longer is it a mere display of extravagance and ostentation but an emotive and private appeal to the heart of the spectator. Intellectual games of the landscapers have no place here as the available space shrinks and our gardens become little more than outside rooms.

At Tintinhull House in Somerset is a garden in the Jekyll tradition with its roots firmly in the 20th century. The emphasis is on small, private enclosures, each with a distinctive and individual character in the planting.

The house is old (c 1600) but the garden had its beginnings in a 1910. However, it was not until 1933, when Phyllis Reiss moved in, that the design we see today really became established. For 28 years she tightened and refined the Jekyll style, shoehorning it into what was at first one acre but which quickly became two. The paddock to the north of the house was embraced to create the Cedar Lawn and a tennis court to the south-west was dug up to become the Pool Garden.

To some extent Tintinhull is overgroomed: its lawns are perhaps too manicured, its flower beds too perfect, the vegetables in the kitchen-garden too ordered. Even so, each is displayed with consummate regard for its environment and its neighbour.

The profound understanding of colour and the importance of carefully sited vistas, cutting across the enclosures with their brick walls and yew hedges, makes this garden a *tour de force*. Indeed, Penelope Hobhouse, who has lived at Tintinhull for the past five years, is well known as a gardener of some sensitivity.

The most seductive long view is from the west front of the house down along the length of the oldest part of the garden, where a narrow stone path, flanked by low box mounds, dissects three adjacent enclosures. These aptly demonstrate Phyllis Reiss's skills in plant association, from the profusion of lavender and agapanthus in the Eagle Court down to the splendour of the Fountain Court, where grey-leafed and white plants abound.

The straightforward treatment of the long rectilinear space engenders a feeling of controlled elegance. By using the painterly device of alternating areas of light and shade falling across the path one's eyes, and eventually one's feet, are taken quickly forward.

The view back toward the house from the western end of the garden is perfection and is best seen on a rainy day when there are few visitors. To the north, a huge cedar of lebanon spreads its blue-green branches across the Cedar Lawn and somehow throws the whole garden into perspective.

Tintinhull House Garden, Tintinhull, near Yeovil, Somerset.

BRIDGE

Diamonds lead to temptation

"Slams may hit the headlines, but machines are won and lost in the part score battles." That was the battle cry of the original exponents of the Acol system. Perhaps they went a little too far. But a team who, by the exercise of superior technique, notches up a series of part score swings is devilish hard to beat.

Two instructive examples occurred in the final stages of the Gold Cup. This was the first:

Teams. Love all. Dealer East.

	♠ A1053 ♡ QJ2 ◇ 53 ♣ 8765	
♠ 92 ♡ A98764 ◇ Q1084 ♣ A	N W E S	♠ KQJ874 ♡ 103 ◇ 72 ♣ K93
	♠ 6 ♡ K5 ◇ AKJ98 ♣ QJ1042	

W	N	E	S
—	—	2♢(1)	3♢
Double	No	No	4♠
No	No	No	—

Opening lead ♡A

(1) Showing either a variety of strong hands or, as here, a weak two bid in a major suit.

On the lead of the ♡A, East followed with the ♡10, and South jettisoned his ♡K. West continued with a second heart intending, when he recaptured the lead, to kill dummy's remaining heart winner. Declarer played a club, losing his ♣Q to West's ♣A. As planned, West played a third heart which East ruffed with the ♠9. South overruffed with the ♠10.

Declarer could now go merrily on his way. The Ace and King of diamonds and a diamond ruffed in dummy left West powerless. It made no difference whether he over-ruffed or discarded.

Notice what happens if East discards a diamond instead of ruffing the third heart. Now if declarer tries to establish his diamonds he runs into a ruff, and if he plays a trump East wins the King and plays a third round, leaving declarer a trick short.

Was West to blame for "leading East into temptation"? No, because if East's trumps had been ♠K43, unless East can discard a diamond, declarer can always prevail by ruffing two diamonds in dummy. It is an unusual hand, a sort of loser on loser by the defence.

Teams. Game all. Dealer North.

	♠ Q93 ♡ Q98742 ◇ 72 ♣ A5	
♠ 10872 ♡ 3 ◇ AK1065 ♣ K93	N W E S	♠ KJ4 ♡ 5 ◇ QJ98 ♣ QJ1064
	♠ A65 ♡ AKJ106 ◇ 43 ♣ 872	

W	N	E	S
—	No	No	1♡
No	3♡	No	No
No	—	—	

Opening lead ♢K

East contributed the ♢Q on West's lead of the ♢K. As requested, West continued with a small diamond to East's ♢J. When East switched to a trump declarer won in hand, crossed to dummy with the Ace of clubs, and played a second round of the suit on which East followed with the ♠Q.

East did his best by persisting with a club, but the damage was done. Declarer ruffed in dummy, noting the fall of West's ♠K, returned to hand with a trump and played a spade to dummy's ♠9 and East's ♠J.

It is true that declarer read the hand well, correctly calculating that if West had had the ♠K together with the ♢A K and ♣K, he would have bid.

But West missed his chance. He should have overtaken the ♠Q with the ♠K, *and switched to the eight of spades*. As the cards lie, that destroys the end play. And if East has ♠Kxx instead of ♠KJx, would that play not cost a trick? Yes, it would, an insignificant over-trick, but not the contract.

Jeremy Flint

CHESS

Master's lost win uncovered

Raymond Keene digs up a classic victory by one of Russia's greatest champions



Brilliant: Alexander Alekhine

Regular readers of this column will have observed an immense admiration for that supreme artist and fighter, the Russian former world champion, Alexander Alekhine. Alekhine's tournament and match successes were outstanding, his style of play brilliant and his subsequent annotations of his best games among the most lucid and instructive ever written by a great champion.

Imagine my delight, then, at discovering the moves of a win by Alekhine against another player of the very highest class, which has so far eluded publication in any of the English language collections of Alekhine's games. It has been known for some time that Alekhine's lifetime score against Paul Keres consisted of five wins, one loss and eight draws, yet one of Alekhine's wins proved impossible to track down.

At last, the score of the game emerged from an obscure Estonian document after a long search through the library of Bob Wade, the British Chess Federation chief coach. This week, I present this lost game to readers:

White: Alekhine. Black: Keres. World Team Championship, Warsaw 1935. Ruy Lopez.

1	P-K4	P-K4	2	N-KB3	N-QB3
3	B-N5	P-QR3	4	B-R4	N-B3
5	0-0	P-Q3	6	P-B3	B-Q2
7	P-Q4	B-K2	8	P-Q5	N-QN1
9	B-B2	P-R3			

The start of an ambitious plan to organize a King side counter-attack while leaving his own King in the centre of the board.

10	P-B4	Q-B1	11	N-K1	P-KN4
12	N-QB3	N-R4	13	N-K2	

Of course, White cannot play 13 . QxN since 13 . . . B-N5 would net his Queen.

13	. . .	N-B5	14	N-N3	P-QB3
15	N-B5	PxP	16	BxN	NPxB
17	BPxP	BxP	18	PxB	N-Q2
19	R-B1	Q-Q1			

Black's offensive on the King's wing has ground to a halt, but his postition remains solid and difficult to penetrate. White's next move is designed to tempt a weakness on the QB6 square.

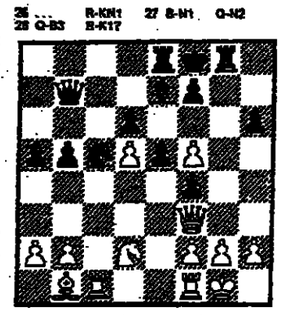
20	B-B6	R-QB1	21	N-KB3	P-N4
22	B-N3	N-B4	23	B-B2	P-QR4
24	Q-K2	K-B1			

If now 25 QxNP R-QN1 or . . . P-K5 with counterplay.

25	B-Q3	Q-Q2	26	N-Q2	

Or 26 BxP QxP.

26	. . .	R-KN1	27	B-N1	Q-N2
28	Q-B3	B-K17			



A moment of inattention costs Keres the game. This error permits Alekhine to unleash a typically fierce combination which leads to a decisive gain of material. Black should try to consolidate with 28 . . . B-B3.

29 RxN!

An instructive sacrifice which exploits the geometric relationship between Black's King and Queen to force the win of two minor pieces for Rook and Pawn.

29	. . .	PxR	30	P-Q6	QxQ
31	PxBch	RxP	32	NxQ	P-K5
33	N-Q2	P-K6	34	PxP	PxP
35	N-K4	R-Q2	36	R-K1	

Not the over hasty 36 N-B6? allowing 36 . . . P-K7 37 R-K1 R-Q8 38 K-B2 RxPch 39 KxR RxR. Alekhine's move easily neutralizes Black's passed pawn.

36	. . .	P-K7	37	B-B2	

Black resigns. White threatens NxP, N-B6 and RxP.

For those with an interest in Alekhine, I can recommend the following books: *My Best Games 1908-1923* and *My Best Games 1924-1937* both by Alekhine; Alekhine's *Best Games 1938-1945* by C. H. O'D. Alexander (all Bell & Hyman) and *Alexander Alekhine* by Kotov (Batsford).

The Times Jumbo Crossword

Prizes of £50 will be given for the first five correct solutions opened on September 3, 1985. Entries should be addressed to The Times Jumbo Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London, WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, September 7, 1985.

ACROSS

1 Con-man's (and W. C. Fields') maxim – always divide the lolly unequally (5,4,1,6,2,4,5).
15 Cause of infection brought by man from Rome to America (5).
16 Prohibition about to stick (5).
17 Wandering desert fighter is captured by the red Norseman (7).
18 Flower a kind of violet (7).
19 It's the devil of a game, treating a boil in the same (7).
20 Coming as a race leader, Bob Acres for instance (7).
21 Study the field – Orion, with recent form? (11).
22 Intelligence not quite fifty per cent as well (6).
23 Soldier strives with difficulty to be one subject to recall (9).
24 Defeat by the extra run (9).
26 In a bit o' trouble with muscular spasm, might this be the remedy? (10).
27 You could be said to describe the sixth form (4-5).
28 The gambler holding diamonds is a doctor (5).
31 Ruin Toby's reputation, presenting him as a swinger (4,1,3,1,3,4,3,4,3).
38 Evil one bringing novice into Bristol team against the rules (9).
40 Isle, with a name perhaps for the Pacific ones (9).
41 Date when Caesar's horses went to Number Ten (7).
42 Accommodation of spirit in a sort of gold container (7).
43 John of legend imprisoned by the elder (9).
44 Member's up in the tent – leg needs period for resetting (5-4).
45 Your proof, financier, that the two-master system won't work (3,6,5,3,3,6).
48 Argue the case for soft metal (5).
49 One not so mad when met in May, hoped Alice (5,4).
52 Primordial biographer of Mehitabel embraces extra-terrestrial friend (10).
56 Variety come-back by Wagner's Hans in a Scottish glen (9).
58 Praise for one not squiffy after knocking back a double (9).
60 Jock's great amount of dirt taken by the French (6).
62 A trying experience for one who would take part (11).
64 Style in ornament – it leaps to the eye (7).
65 Girl weary – cross (7).
66 King in a month? Practicable (7).
67 Made perhaps into one seat of ancient learning (7).
68 Chaucerian tale-teller gives us the bird (5).
69 Coach (or coaches?) for one's followers (5).
70 World population addressed by hymnographer (3,6,4,2,5,2,5).

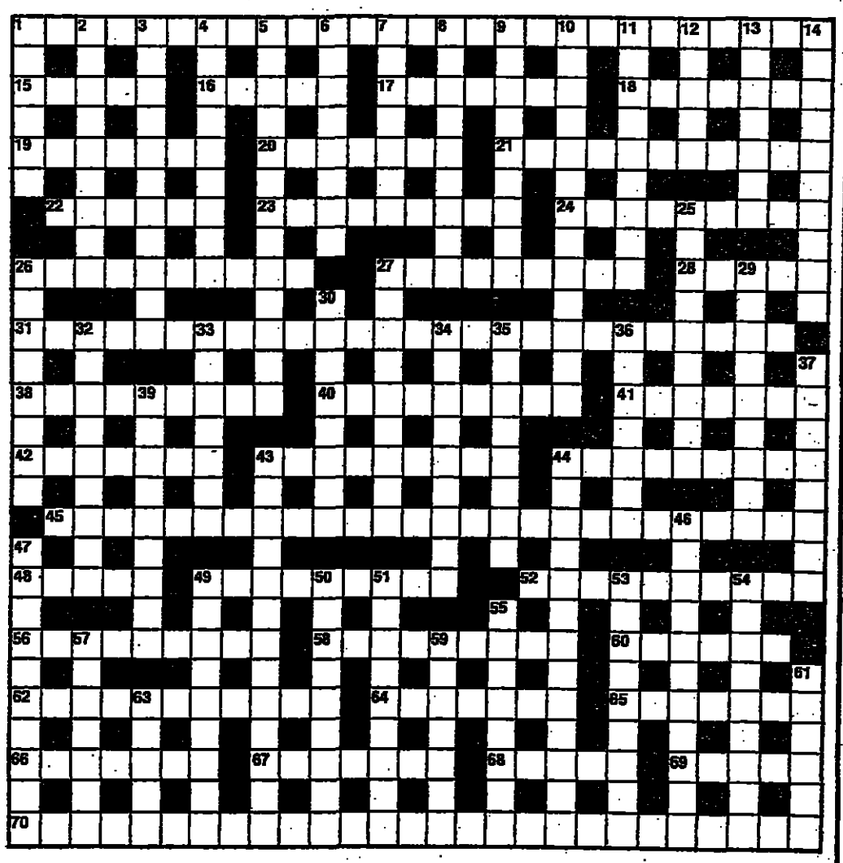
DOWN

1 State of Russian river (yes, Russian) (6).
2 Going round Sunda Island – a distance for Boris, man of words . . . (9).
3 . . . making USA hop, Boris, with such fear? (11).
4 Go right up into limbo perhaps after one mix-up (9).
5 Was an additional table d'hôte once so unusual? (13).
6 Second négligé for beach-wear (3-5).
7 The sticker a butcher uses? (7).
8 Giving membership to bridge opponents – very rich (9).
9 Scottish sort of circle? (9).
10 Mr Know-it-all Walker? (13).
11 Contrives to describe these soldiers as professedly ubiquitous (9).
12 Instrument to outlaw a little woman (5).
13 One who dispossesses the Asian conqueror (7).
14 Murphy enthroned (4,6).
25 Get a guide perhaps to define foreshore limits (4-5).
26 Rocky peak where Luigi appears fuddled in drink (8).
27 Steering device used in 32 to deal with lawyers (9).
29 Quartz stone or stones piled on tops of good old Rocky Mountains (9).
30 Like Venus de Milo, hot-headed, or like Caesar's fat men (8).
32 Loved manoeuvring over capital cycling stadium (9).
33 Result of cutting corners in the square (7).
34 Platypus for instance found by army's doctor, not its specialist 11 (9).
35 One declaring right of some trespasser to remission (8).
36 Corrected the message of the noon-day gun (7).
37 Outward sign of the times in description of the city of Rome (8).
39 Agrees with shaking dice – getting in the money (9).
43 Delay matters – stop race-train 44 (13).
44 Anagram-solving method fits back-row types to a T (13).
46 Like the anatomy lecturer's skeleton, it's distinctly pronounced (11).
47 Hit with a mop perhaps? In this Henry makes a complaint (10).
49 Circuit carrier – that goes down well with very small fry? (9).
50 Original MS shows poor gal distressed in very hard circumstances (9).
51 Arcadian fun? (9).
53 Residence on various dates in US settler's holding (9).
54 How hearts throb when appreciation of taste captures part of theatre (9).
55 Knew of old the song of the climber (8).
57 Second (for instance) book of services spoken without much noise (7).
59 Victim of his own hounds a long time after performance (7).
61 Gilbert's rank, say? That's it in a nutshell (6).
63 One hidden in forest growth in a Hebridean isle (5).

Name.....

Address.....

.....



Concise Jumbo Crossword

Solution to appear on Monday August 26, no prize

ACROSS

1 Treasure Island author (6,5,7,9)
15 Sets firearm hammer (5)
16 The Kiss sculptor (5)
17 Heart upper chamber (7)
18 Clique (7)
19 Bagpipe music (7)
20 Let go (7)
21 Appearing brilliant (11)
22 Whereupon (2,4)
23 Italian miss (9)
24 Hastened (9)
26 Oxygen life (10)
27 Crafty (9)
28 Curved billiards shot (5)
31 One-sided announcement of hostilities (10,11,2,3)
38 Courteous regard (9)
40 Frenziedly indulgent (9)
41 Receipt (7)
42 Maize ear core (7)
43 Small edition (4,5)
44 Accumulated (5,2,2)
45 Hypotheses on acceleration, gravitation (8,6,2,10)
48 Uncontaminated (5)
49 Truce (9)
52 Seer (10)
56 Not resolve (5,4)
58 Outdoor grilles (9)
60 Willow twigs (6)
62 Compositor (11)
64 Exciting sympathy (7)
65 Pulp (7)
66 Causing destruction (7)
67 Womblike (7)
68 Wine, chateaux river (5)
69 Trojan siege epic (5)
70 Wagner songfest opera (3,13,3,8)

DOWN

1 Cook's prescription (6)
2 Spiteful person (9)
3 Fear of Russia (11)
4 Musically quite slowly (9)
5 Think too lowly of (13)
6 Study of China (8)
7 Plains Indian tribe (7)
8 With shrewd judgement (9)
9 Unreliable (9)
10 Appears evil (5,8)
11 Breadcrumbed meat slices (9)
12 Consumed (5)
13 Snake (7)
14 Requirement to slim (4,2,4)
25 Amaze (9)
26 Water conduit bridge (8)
27 In disguise (9)
29 String pasta (9)
30 Reprove (8)
32 Sterile (9)
33 Make honourable (7)
34 Popular neoclassical fashion (4,5)
35 At start (2,3,3)
36 Short novel (7)
37 Advance payer (8)
39 Refusal to submit to authority (9)
43 Flats building (8,5)
44 Favourable bias (13)
46 Established custom (11)
47 Carved (10)
49 Evaluates (9)
50 Sedateness (9)
51 Inrush (9)
53 Bride's linen (9)
54 White rose county (9)
55 Serbo-Croatian (8)
57 Inform (7)
59 Immoderate (7)
61 Half wild Asian cur (6)
63 Tree plantation (5)

SOLUTION TO No 725 (last Saturday's prize concise)

ACROSS: 1 Buffalo Bill 9 Eternal 10 Choir 11 Yak 13 Odds 16 High 17 Inmate 18 Omen 20 Jeté 21 Torero 22 Ally 23 Bawl 25 Who 28 Ingle 29 Pricing 30 Pentonville

DOWN: 2 Upend 3 Find 4 Lily 5 Buck 6 Lionise 7 Mesopotamia 8 Archaeology 12 Anthem 14 Sin 15 Smooth 19 Ecologue 20 Job 24 Axial 25 West 26 Open 27 Kiwi

The winners of prize concise No 725 are: Mrs H. G. Salisbury, 11 Beast Fair, Snaith, Goole, N Humberside; and Ms R. McFarlane, Church Road, Boldmere, Sutton Coldfield.

SOLUTION TO No 730

ACROSS: 1 Belief 5 Beside 8 IOU 9 Mormon 10 Isobar 11 Yeti 12 Sediment 14 Motive 17 Snotty 19 Tentacle 22 Tiff 24 Rigour 25 Turgid 26 Doh 27 Tennis 28 Enough

DOWN: 2 Elope 3 Ismaili 4 Finesse 5 Build 6 Storm 7 Dragnet 13 Ion, 15 One time 16 Via 17 Sheathe 18 Ontario 20 Thorn 21 Cords 23 Fling

BLOM'S BULB BOOK FREE
Join Blom's superbly illustrated book of bulbs. Luxuriously packed with beautiful colour photographs, this book is far more than just a catalogue. Now it can be yours free, if you write today. Plan next Spring's display now. Hundreds of varieties, plus all the help and advice you need for a brighter and better garden from Blom's, 37 times Gold Medal winner at Chelsea.
or write to,
24 hours Phone- 0923 672071
RON BLOM, DEPARTMENT TBS
COOMBELANDS NURSERIES,
LEAVESDEN, WATFORD, HERTS.

What a difference a pond makes!
Whether your already have a Water Garden — or planning to build one — then Gadds is a must for you! Stand for one today!
Stapeley – Europe's largest Water Garden Centre, offer you a FREE mail order catalogue overflowing with information on fountains, plants, waterlilies, fish etc. Personal callers welcome.
Please send two 1st class stamps for postage. Free only to postal applicants.
STAPELEY WATER GARDENS LIMITED
Dept. TT4, London Road, Stapeley, Nantwich, Cheshire. Tel: 0270 623911

BUY A WESTWOOD
ALL MODELS FROM £875
15 USEFUL ACCESSORIES
FIND OUT ABOUT THE AMAZING T 1200 DIESEL AND WESTWOOD'S FREE FUEL OFFER!
and get TWO garden tractor accessories at HALF PRICE!
Now is a good time to buy Britain's best selling ride-on mower. Buy any Westwood garden tractor and you can have two of these invaluable accessories at half price! Buy the Westwood T1200 diesel at £1,780 and we will also give you enough fuel to cut 60 acres FREE.
Hurry, this offer is limited to available stocks and is made jointly by Westwood and participating dealers only.
Read about Westwood garden tractors and accessories and the success story that has made us Europe's leading manufacturer – find out the name of your nearest participating dealer and ask for a demonstration. Offer only exists when bought at recommended retail price.
Return the coupon or ring 0732 455455 (24 hrs)
To: Westwood Engineering Co. Ltd., FREEPOST (No stamp required), 382 Plympton, Plymouth PL7 3BR.
Please send me details of Accessories and Free Fuel Offer.
Name.....
Address.....
Tel No.....
Westwood CUTTING THE COST OF THE COUNTRY GARDEN

SHOPPING

Paying for a classy appearance

Most parents buy some kind of school uniform for their children. As a new term approaches, Beryl Downing counts the cost

The classes of '85 are going to cost their parents a pretty penny. Clothes for a first term are likely to total £200 even at secondary schools which make minimal demands. At the other end of the scholastic scale, a boy preparing for his first term at Eton needs equipment costing more than £1,400.

Last year, parents spent £342 million on children's clothing "for formal or school wear" and Textile Market Studies, which conducted the survey, says most of this would be school uniform.

A large proportion of the total will be spent this week and next as fraught parents drag their reluctant young round the rails of flannel and polyester, *praying that their feet and* waists will stop expanding at least until term starts.

For the stores and specialist outfitters, the headaches don't stop then. Unlike the chain stores which offer the basic skirt/trouser/knitwear in a limited range of colours, the specialists have to keep stocks for all their contracted schools all year and they are not popular if they run out of standard sizes.

Fashion trends hinder rather than help. This year, for instance, most girls consider it quite impossible to pay serious attention to a lesson if they are constrained by a jumper that actually fits. It must be several sizes too big. So all the 38in knitwear is sold out to girls who couldn't fill a couple of espresso cups while the 32in jumpers are still on the shelves.

Children who are fatter or taller than average (politely labelled S for sturdy or L for long and thin at John Lewis) can have special sizes made up in the styles already carried, but it takes time. The numbers of suppliers have dwindled in the past five years – there are only two mills left in this country which produce flannel material for blazers – and ordering has to be done at least two months in advance.

Some comprehensive schools do make precise demands for their students, stipulating special uniform for class and games wear, and with extra house colours. In these cases, as with all private schools, the only choice the parents have is the retailer they go to and often value takes second place to convenience.

If the school is more relaxed about uniform, then it could be worth comparing the selections offered by the major high street chains. But bear in mind that the hardest wearing fabrics will not be the cheapest and that what you think is suitable your potential little swot/truant won't even try on.

Mrs Carole Martin, mother of 15-year-old Keith who modelled for our photographs, reckons that a first term at any comprehensive school will cost about £200 if you shop around the high street chains and specialist outfitters – more if you buy everything from one store. Our example was a comprehensive school supplied by John Lewis with specific uniform.

The quantities shown are based on Mrs Martin's experience. Five shirts may not be essential but if you, too, have a responsible job – she runs a children's home – there is little time to keep washing shirts during the week.

We offered 14-year-old Charlotte Nash the choice of styles supplied by the chains. A-line skirts were definitely out – her own school demands them but many of the girls take them in to make them tighter and straighter.

The only one she approved of was the wrap-over from Littlewoods which she wore for the photograph. She was choosy about the coats, too, (no duffles) but really liked a Marks and Spencer full-length fleecy lined coat because "it doesn't look like school stuff at all".

Her assessment of the quality of the blazer fabrics would have won points for a much older consumer – she turned down Littlewoods, British Home Stores and Woolworths (Marks and Spencer don't do one) because they were "too stiff and didn't feel nice" and opted for the John Lewis Marmair blazer, although she would change the buttons to plain blue ones. None of the shoes really found favour, but the best in her view were grey leather with patent toe caps from Littlewoods.

Choice is something that Eton pupils are not offered, nor do they want it. Every time a poll is held on whether or not to retain the traditional tail-coat, waistcoat and striped trousers, there are four to one in favour.



Peter Akehurst

The places to go to for uniform in Eton are not the outfitters with the glossiest frontages, but the ones with the longest traditions. Tom Brown at 1 and 2 High Street (07535 65080), is probably the oldest tailor in Britain and certainly the only one specializing in bespoke tailoring for boys.

Although it sounds like a refugee from Rugby rather than a supplier to Eton, the business was founded in 1784 by a real Tom Brown who was succeeded by four descendants of the same name. It is now owned and run by the seventh generation of the family, David Russell, whose maternal grandfather was brother of the last Tom Brown.

It is here that new Etonians are fitted with ready-made overcoats, tail-coats and waistcoats (one new and one second-hand is usual). They are made with larger-than-usual turnings and are repaired and maintained during their college life, so that four suits usually last the five years.

A little further down the High Street on the opposite side at *number 118 is New and* Lingwood (07535 66286). Since 1865 they have been supplying most of the remaining college necessities from socks and stiff collars to umbrellas.

Here, too, there is a slightly olde-worlde atmosphere of *charm and courtesy (why do* men's shops have it when women's don't?) that is so obviously of another era that, were it not for a lack of swirling lake fog, it might be one of those entirely authentic sets for a BBC TV drama.

Canes, down the road at number 125, has it, too (07535 66284). Founded in 1884 it is now owned by New and Lingwood and supplies sturdy, well-made shoes which will stand up to the amount of walking peculiar to Etonians who cover a good deal of ground between college and their tutors' rooms. Moccasins are out, loafers are acceptable and lace-ups are definitely in.

But clothes alone do not makyth the boy. The lists *provided for the guidance of* parents include basic equipment for his room at college. Sometimes this is all bought from the previous occupier but, if you want new, "everyone goes to Rosemary Colquhoun" I was told by a parent who does.

Mrs Colquhoun is an interior designer who runs Eton House Interiors which specializes in making curtains, loose covers and cushions on the premises at 61 High Street (07535 62131). It can also arrange upholstery and carpet fitting and supply wallpapers and accessories. It has one of the largest selections in the area of superb furnishing fabrics, and patchwork duvets incorporating customers' fabrics can be made to order. These are from £165 single.

For the college she will provide the required ottoman, chair, lamp, rug, waste-paper basket, and curtains made to measure – she knows every window in the college. These curtains, like the tail-coats, have *extra turnings, as new students* start in the top-floor rooms with small windows and progress downwards to rooms of more gracious proportions. Curtains are made up during the summer and hung the day before the boys are expected to arrive.

In order to make a comparison, the lists shown are based on the assumption that the new entrant at each type of school needs everything new. Sizes are for ages 13-15. In reality, there will be some clothing used at junior or prep school which can still be worn.

Nevertheless, the outlay is still considerable. One mother of a now Old Etonian told me that when her son started, several of the major banks wrote asking what size of overdraft she was prepared to allow him. Perhaps it would have been more to the point to ask what overdraft they were prepared to allow her and her husband.

ETON COLLEGE

	£
2 tails and waistcoats (from)	131.50
2 pair black striped trousers	57.00
clip-on braces	3.75
5 white shirts	49.75
stiff collars	35.00
12 straight white Eton ties	2.25
6 pairs dark socks	20.80
2 long-sleeved pullovers	31.90
2 pairs black walking shoes	71.00
coat hangers	9.50
12 dozen name tapes	5.25
clothes brush	4.95
linen bag	6.95
bedroom slippers	19.75
tweed jacket	57.50
pair grey flannels	29.95
dark great coat	84.00
4 shirts with collars	84.00
tie	8.50
umbrella	14.25
3 pairs pyjamas	52.50
4 vests	11.80
6 pairs underpants	16.50
1 dressing gown	29.95
12 handkerchiefs	6.60
6 studs	2.70
cuff links	5.95
2 pairs football shorts	19.90
2 games shirts	21.50
1 white sweater	22.95
4 rugby jerseys	59.80
2 pairs white games socks	11.50
1 pair white gym shoes	9.99
football boots	18.99
navy track suit	29.95
trainers	17.99
swimming trunks	6.95
3 table covers	27.50
3 hand towels	12.75
3 swimming towels	25.50
table lamp, shade, rug, easy chair, ottoman, wastepaper bin, curtains for bed and window (making only)	309.95
TOTAL:	**£1,474.27**

Plus: duvet and two covers, rug for bed, sponge bag, alarm clock, two mugs, overnight case, all assumed to be in the household.

This is an example from one house.

COMPREHENSIVE
(no set uniform)

	£
Littlewoods wrap-over skirt	7.99
Littlewoods sweater	7.99
Littlewoods grey shoes	8.99
BHS sports skirt	4.50
BHS white socks (6 pairs)	5.80
BHS sports blouse, cotton	4.50
5 BHS school blouses	17.50
Marks & Spencer slipover	4.99
M & S fleece lined raincoat	32.50
John Lewis blazer, polyester	25.00
Woolworths nylon trainers	7.99
John Lewis hockey socks (2 pairs)	4.20
John Lewis hockey boots	8.50
John Lewis overall	11.50
John Lewis swimsuit	5.50
BHS tracksuit	11.99
BHS ankle socks (3 pairs)	2.50
BHS school sports bag	8.99
TOTAL:	**£180.93**

Selection chosen on the basis of style and quality at the price.



Girl's choice: Charlotte Nash, aged 14



Boy's gear: Keith Martin, aged 15

COMPREHENSIVE
(with set uniform)

	£
Royal blue badged blazer	22.00
Blue striped tie	2.10
2 pairs charcoal trousers	29.00
5 shirts	16.25
5 pairs socks	11.25
Raincoat anorak	21.50
2 pullovers	17.90
Blue striped scarf	9.50
2 pairs white football shorts	5.90
Royal blue PE shorts	3.35
Sky blue singlet	2.95
White PE socks	2.25
2 pairs white football socks	4.20
Royal rugby shirt	8.50
Football boots	16.50
2 pairs trainers	16.90
Black shoes	19.50
Swimming trunks	2.95
School/sports bag	7.95
TOTAL:	**£219.45**

Prices: John Lewis. Quantities based on Keith Martin's school equipment.

DRINK

An unlikely bunch to tempt the tasters

Pick up a cluster of Sémillon grapes in their most prized state and your hand will contain a revolting mass of shrivelled raisins, covered with an evil dusty mould. *Botrytis cinerea* is the proper name for this unpleasant condition but French winemakers in Sauternes and Barsac call it *pourriture noble*, or noble rot, and are overjoyed when it attacks their Sémillon grapes.

Despite the prestigious reputation of those great, honeyed *luscious Sauternes made princi*pally from the Sémillon (with lesser amounts of the Sauvignon and occasionally a little Muscadelle) this grape is not regarded as one of the world's great white grape varieties. Those titles instead, quite rightly, go to the Chardonnay or Riesling.

Whilst wine buffs the world over agree that the Sémillon can often enjoy a great and glorious old age it is this grape's dull, gawky, introverted youth that is its most obvious character defect. In fact, I often find young Sémillon wines so bland on the palate that there seems little point in drinking them. Yet, with age, their dumb nose and slight, raw fruit backed up by low acidity and high alcohol turn into magnificent rich, waxy golden wines with multiple lanolin-like layers of fruit and flavour.

France, and Bordeaux in particular, is the chief home of the Sémillon grape and, apart from sweet Sauternes and Barsac, it is also responsible for a fair number of dry wines. A great many are sold as basic Bordeaux Blanc but other dryish Sémillon labels from this region bear the words Graves and Entre Deux Mers.

In the past these dreary, flabby wines have added little to Bordeaux's reputation but the Bordelais are now blending in the pungent, gooseberry-green Sauvignon to give life, character and invigorating acidity to these previously dull Sémillon-dominated wines.

The Sauvignon grape's high acidity comes in handy, too, at the great Sauternes and Barsac châteaux whose proprietors realise that without it their low acid, sweet Sémillon wines would be unlikely to grow old gracefully.

Outside France the Sémillon crops up in South America and South Africa, producing mainly undistinguished wines, as well as in North America where California winemakers make some fine botrytis-influenced wines.

Its real overseas success story, however, is Australia where in the hot, humid sub-tropical Hunter Valley, north of Sydney – and curiously nowhere else in the country – the Sémillon grape matures, after 10 years or so, into a wonderful rich smoky-toasty mouthful often overlaid with lime and lemon flavours. It is truly one of the great white wine wonders of the world and until now almost unheard of outside Australia. Just to confuse ampelographers and wine drinkers these glorious Sémillons are labelled Hunter Valley Riesling.

Despite the impressive Australian competition France still makes the greatest Sémillon wines in the world and the best and most revered is undoubtedly Château d'Yquem. Priced at around £50 a bottle current vintages of d'Yquem actually seem cheap when you realise that each vine of nobly rotted grapes produces just one glass of wine. One of the most magnificent d'Yquem vintages available is 1976 and if you want to judge this legendary château for yourself get in touch with Lay & Wheeler (6 Culver Street West, Colchester, Essex) who list the '76 at £51.75 per bottle.

About a third of the price and certainly not a third of the flavour is Château de Fargues, a property that is also owned by the Lur Saluces of d'Yquem and which makes, I think, a wine that although a shade lighter and less unctuous is remarkably similar. (Lay & Wheeler list the elegant '79 for £16.39, Corney & Barrow, 12 Helmet Row, London EC1, £18.46.)

It is truly one of the great white wine wonders of the world

Several leading Sauternes properties also make dry, white wines and once again d'Yquem's dry Ygrec leads the field.

Not all sweet Bordeaux Sémillon wines have to cost a fortune: the '83 Clos St Georges, with its deep gold colour and rich peachy taste, is a snip at £2.98 from Sainsbury's.

Hunter Valley Sémillon, especially its older vintages, is difficult to find over here, but La Vigneronne stock the '78 Rothbury Estate Homestead Sémillon which is beginning to take on that classic smoky character and lemony bouquet of the Hunter (£5.85).

The Rothbury '83 Sémillon Hunter River with its lively vanilla greenness will, I think, be even better but it needs at least five more years of bottle age (La Vigneronne, 105 Old Brompton Road, London SW7, £7.25; Les Amis du Vin, 7 Ariel Way, Wood Lane, London W12, £5.95).

Jane MacQuitty



The light, crisp, pale sherry from Croft.

THE PALEST SHERRY EVER.

COLLECTING

Beatles for sale – all offers considered

"Once upon a time there were three little boys called John, George and Paul, by name christened. They decided to get together because they were the getting together type. . . ." Thus John Lennon described the birth of the Beatles for the first edition of *Mersey Beat* in 1961.

As we all know, the three little boys were joined by a fourth and went on to create something of a stir. This Bank Holiday weekend, 25 years after the lads – still in their larval stage – first took the boat to Hamburg, the stir goes on. In Liverpool there's a two-day convention, MerseyBeatle 85, followed by Beatles Festival Week; and in London two sales of pop memorabilia at Sotheby's and Phillips at which the star attractions will be the Fab Four.

The memorabilia market has taken off over the past five years and at Phillips, for example, a Beatles cotton mini-dress, picturing the Beatles and signed not merely by them but also by Cynthia Lennon and Brian Epstein, will be sold for about £1,200. The dresses, I *should explain, were produced* specifically for the usherettes at the premiere of *Help* in 1965, giving them that vital rarity value.

It is difficult for those of us who lived through Beatlemania to imagine how anything connected with the Beatles could be rare. My copy of Hunter Davies's authorized biography tells me that, in 1964, 50 million dollars-worth of Beatles goods were sold in the States. Yet a plastic Beatle-image guitar now fetches around £40. Where has it all gone?

Well, I still have a little something. On April 18, 1963, I saw them at the Albert Hall. "Please Please Me" was a big hit by then, but Del Shannon was still top of the bill and the screaming was decidedly embryonic. I kept the programme.

"Unsigned?" mused Paul Penn-Simkins, who catalogued the Phillips auction. "Perhaps £20. But who knows? If two collectors are after the same thing, the price is limited only by the size of their pockets."

His sale is deliberately aimed at the lower end of the market. The prize item is a gold disc of "Can't Buy Me Love" (estimate £1,500 to £2,500). The lowest, a Beatles jigsaw at £15 to £25. "Who brings in all this junk?" I asked Penn-Simkins.

"It's mostly the parents of Sixties children, clearing out their attics. Or sometimes the children themselves. Autographs increase the price – the going rate for an interesting Lennon autograph is about £150 – but it's what the autograph is on that determines the value. Anything scarce like a one-night show is best."

At Sotheby's, Hilary Kay, director of the collectors' department, was cautious. "An awful lot of so-called contemporary autographs are fakes. Out of 100 Beatles signatures, perhaps two or three are genuine. I've seen so many that I can now tell; it's like recognizing a real Ming vase."

Of the 480 lots of the Sotheby's sale, 320 concern the Beatles. There's an Aston Martin DB5 Coupé, ex-George Harrison, estimated at £12,000-£18,000. But Hilary's favourite is a "very battered acoustic guitar which was obviously lent to them around 1963. It's signed 'mucho grayssyasse' by Ringo and George." Estimate £300-£400.

Prices, says Hilary, are extremely good. Something worth £100 two years ago is worth £400 now. So how about . . . "The Albert Hall? That concert's not listed." Maybe not, but it happened and I have the programme to prove it. "Then I should think it's worth about £50. Would have been £200 if you'd had it signed, but that would have been very unlikely then."

I bet they remember that concert in Liverpool, where about 2,000 conventioners today will be wallowing in nostalgia, watching Beatles films, digging lookalike bands, entering BeatleBrain competitions, meeting Pete Best, and listening to a lecture called "Paul McCartney is Dead" with Joel Glazier presenting the evidence.

There will be two memorabilia sales at the hotel and a third at Eldon E. Worrall, the Liverpool auction house, on Tuesday. On the same day, coaches will take the fans to Strawberry Fields at Woolton, where the Salvation Army will throw them a garden party.

"I feel rather sorry for the smaller Beatles collectors", says Ron Jones, who organized the convention. "Ever since Beatle City – that's the permanent Liverpool exhibition – went to Sotheby's with their big cheque-book, prices have shot up.

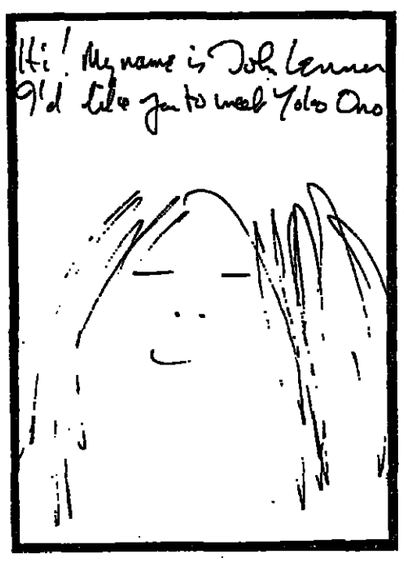
"The Japanese buy quite a lot, too. If they're holding a sale in Tokyo, an exhibition of Beatles stuff in the foyer always brings in the crowds."

How, then, can the nowhere man compete? "You can always try junkshops", said a spokesman for *Beatles Monthly*. "Go for rare records and badges."

Badges? Records? Poor stuff compared with the Sixties. Why, when Ringo had his tonsils out, according to Hunter Davies, thousands of fans wrote to the hospital asking for the offending organs.

Hang on. I've just noticed that my copy of Hunter's book is a first edition. Genuine 1968, the gear. I wonder if one of them would sign it?

Peter Brown





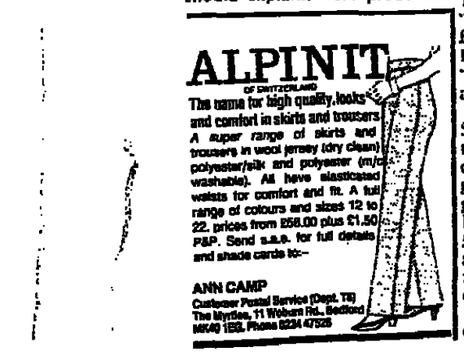
Fab gear: Yoko Ono by John Lennon, c1970 (left), estimate £3,000-5,000; the Beatles by David Wynne, 1964 (£400-£600)

Sotheby's sale is at 34-35 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080). Thurs 10am (Beatles) and 2.30pm. Viewing at the Grosvenor Gallery, Bloomfield Place, London W1, Tues and Wed 9am-4.30pm.

Eldon E. Worrall's sale is at 15 Seel Street, Liverpool (051 709 2950). Tues 11am. Viewing Mon 10am-4pm.

***Phillips's** sale is at the Collectors' Centre, Blenheim* Street, London W1 (01-629 6602). Wed, Noon. Viewing Tues 9am-5pm, Wed 9-11am.

MerseyBeatle 85 is at the Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool (051 709 7200).



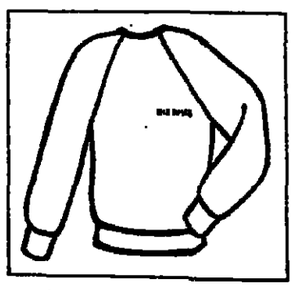
THE TIMES SWEATSHIRT



THE classic stretch - knit sweatshirt originated in the U.S.A. as a comfortable easy-fit top for sports and leisure activities. The design, crew-neck with deep raglan sleeves and stretch-knit neck, cuffs and hem, makes it a useful multi-purpose garment that offers a practical alternative to traditional pullovers and sweaters for casual wear.

MR President has produced this range of high quality sweatshirts, made in the U.K. and designed for Times readers with 'THE TIMES' flock printed on the left breast of each shirt. Available in a new range of summer colours: navy or lemon (50% cotton/50% polyester), grey or white (50% cotton/50% acrylic) in a comprehensive range of sizes.

PRICE – £9.95 each



All prices are inclusive of post and packing. All orders are despatched within 7 days of receipt – please allow up to 14-21 days for delivery.

If you are not satisfied we will refund your money without question. This offer can only be despatched to addresses in the U.K.

All orders should be sent to: The Times Sweatshirt Offer, Bourne Road, Bexley, Kent DA5 1BL. Tel: Crayford 53316 for enquiries only.

Please send me.....Times Sweatshirt(s) at £9.95 each as indicated below:

Colour	Small 34/36in	Medium 38/40in	Large 42/44in	Ex Large 44/46in
White				
Grey				
Navy	34/36in	36/38in	40/42in	42/44in
Lemon				

I enclose Cheque/PO for £..... made payable to The Times Sweatshirt Offer. Or debit my access/Visa No..... Expiry date.....

Send to: Times Sweatshirt Offer, Bourne Road, Bexley, Kent, DA5 1BL. Mr/Mrs/Miss .....

Address .....

.....

Crayford (0322) 53316 for enquiries only.

ENTERTAINMENTS

GLC SOUTH BANK CONCERT HALLS



GLC South Bank Concert Halls, Belvedere Road, London SE1 8XX
Box Office: Open Mon-Sat 10am-9pm, Sun 1.30pm-9pm
Telephone Bookings 01-928 3191. Credit cards 01-928 8800
Open all day with free exhibitions and lunchtime music. Coffee shop, buffet and bars. Jazz in the Riverside Café, dine to free entertainment every Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings.

GROS ON SHOW IN THE FESTIVAL HALL FOYER

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

Saturday 24 Aug 3 pm & 7.45 pm — THE METROPOLITAN MIKADO Don't miss it! Last two performances of Sharrie & Beaton's adaptation of Gilbert & Sullivan's oriental opera. "...an irreverent, wickedly witty, anarchic but totally delicious slice of adult entertainment" (Stage) £4 £5 £6 £7 Sat. mat. £4. Students/OAP/UB40 £2.50 GLC/Gubbay

Sunday 25 August 7.30 pm — LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Antony Hopkins (introducer/conductor) Erich Gruenberg (violin). Rossini Ov. The Thieving Magpie; Mozart Eine kleine Nachtmusik; Bruch Violin Concerto No 1
Beethoven Symphony No.6 (Pastoral)
£3, £4, £5, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 Victor Hochhauser

Tuesday 27 Aug–Saturday 7 Sept — WAVES USA's Jazz-Dance sensation. A stunning mix of break-dance and ballet, gymnastics and jazz-dance, all performed to live music. Choreographer Shimon Braun. Music played by Paz.
Evenings 7.30 pm (28 Aug. 7 pm) Saturday mat. 3 pm
£3.50, £5, £6, £7.50, £9 Conces available except Fri & Sat eves GLC

TOM MERRIFIELD EXHIBITION
Sculpture and Drawings 30 July — 10 September
Visitor Foyer, Royal Festival Hall. From 10am to 10pm

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL

Saturday 24 August 7.45 — SOUTH BANK SUMMER MUSIC Rafael Puyana (harpsichord) Bach Partita in C minor, BWV 826. Toccata in D, BWV 912. Italian Concerto, BWV 971. D. Scarlatti Sonatas in E, K.206 & 207, A min. K.175, B min. K.87, D. Scarlatti Fandango £2.50, £3, £3.50, £4.50, £5 GLC

Sunday 25 August 7.15 — SUMMER FOLK The Boys of the Lough with Eric Bogle, Alistair Anderson and Cíaran na Gael. The Boys of the Lough with a new line-up: Aly Bain fiddle, Cathal McConnell flute, Christy O'Leary Irish pipes, Dave Richardson mandolin & special guest John Coakley guitar & piano. £3.50, £5, (only) GLC

Monday 26 August 7.45 — SOUTH BANK SUMMER MUSIC John Williams (guitar) Bach Lute Suite No 4 in E. Ponce Variations & Fugue on 'La Folia de España'; Steve Gray Three Pieces (1st London perf.); Leo Brouwer Vars on a theme of Django Reinhardt (1984). Villa-Lobos 5 Preludes. £2.50, £3, £3.50, £4.50, £5 GLC

Tuesday 27 August 7.45 — SOUTH BANK SUMMER MUSIC Nelson Freire (piano) Villa-Lobos Preludes from Bachianas Brasileiras No 4, Prole do bebê No 1, Brahms Sonata in F shp min, Op.2, Chopin Imp. in F shp, Op.36, Pol in F shp min, Op.44, 3 Ecossaises Op 72 No.3, Scherzo in B fl. min. Op 31, Albeniz Evocación, Triana, Navarra £2.50, £3, £3.50, £4.50, £5 GLC

Wednesday 28 August 7.45 — SOUTH BANK SUMMER MUSIC City of London Sinfonia Richard Hickox (cond) Jill Gomez (soprano) John Williams (guitar). Vivaldi Concerto in D for guitar & strings, Berlioz Les nuits d'été; Villa-Lobos Bachianas Brasileiras, Nos 6, 5, 1 £2.50, £3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50 GLC

Thursday 29 August 7.45 — SOUTH BANK SUMMER MUSIC Andrei Gavrilov (piano) Bach French Suites Nos.2 in C minor and 5 in G. Scriabin Sonata 4, Op. 30, Rachmaninov 4 Preludes Op. 23 Nos. 1, 2, 5, Op. 32 No 12; Etude tableau Op 39 No. 3, Moment musicaux Nos. 3 & 6 £2.50, £3, £3.50, £4.50, £5 GLC

Friday 30 August 7.45 — SOUTH BANK SUMMER MUSIC Nelson Freire, Jean-Philippe Collard (pianos), Tristan Fry, James Holland, John Dean, Terry Emery, David Johnson, Derek Price (percussion) Rachmaninov Suite No.2 for 2 pns; Chavez Toccata for perc, Salzedo Diseños for porc, Bartok Sonata for 2 pns & perc. £2.50, £3, £3.50, £4.50, £5 GLC

Sat 31 Aug–Sun 1 Sep 1 & 6 pm — THE MARRIAGE OF PANTALONE. La Famiglia Carrara Titino Carrara (dir) with the Consort of Musicke Anthony Rooley (dir) Emma Kirkby (sop) Tessa Bonner (sop) Mary Nichols (alto) Andrew King (ten) Rufus Müller (ten) Alan Ewing (bass)
The York Waits & the Unterhandl £3 £4 £5 £6 £6.50 £7 £8 GLC

Tuesday 3 Sept–Sunday 15 Sep — KODO Astounding Japanese drummers. "Excitingly varied, marvellously theatrical. Dazzling from start to finish" (Sunday Telegraph)
Evenings 7.30 pm (3 Sep. 7pm) Matinees 3 pm (7 & 15 Sept No perf
Mon 9 Sep £3 £4 £5 £6 £7.50 Conces available except Fri & Sat eves GLC

PURCELL ROOM

Saturday 24 August 7.30 — SCOTTISH NIGHT
Cilla Fisher and Artie Trezise, Aly Bain, Phil Cunningham, Willy Scott. Superb singing, brilliant fiddling, amazing accordion and the grand old music of Scots song. '88 & still going strong'
South Bank Summer Folk £3.50 GLC

Sunday 25 August From 1 pm — Alistair Anderson & Phil Cunningham, Old Spot Morris, The Green Ginger Clog Dancers, Hoddesdon Crownsmen & Clann na Gael & Rory McLeod. FREE IN THE FOYER. 2.30 pm Willy Scott, Bill Atkinson, Joe Hutton & Willy Taylor; 3.45 pm Aly Bain & Junior Daugherty; 5.00 pm The Younger Tradition. £7.50 each performance in the PURCELL ROOM! South Bank Summer Folk GLC

Mon/Tues 26/27 Aug 5.30 pm — SOUTH BANK SUMMER KIDS Dagarti Arts Group. Authentic African dance & drumming by this colourful group. Free workshop sessions each day in the Foyer at 3 pm for children who want to learn enough to join in the later performances. Recommended age 5-12.
£1.50 (children) £2.50 (adults) GLC

Wed/Thu 28/29 Aug 5.30 pm — SOUTH BANK SUMMER KIDS Lowestoft Puppet Theatre. Red Riding Hood is performed with rod puppets, and The Siege of Troy in flond style with some damage to historical accuracy. Free performance of The Magic Cupboard at 3pm in the Foyer. Recommended age 6-11
£1.50 (children) £2.50 (adults) GLC

Friday 30 Aug 5.30 pm — SOUTH BANK SUMMER KIDS
The Magical Sounds of the Guitar explored and presented by John Williams
£1.50 (children) £2.50 (adults) GLC

Saturday 31 Aug 4.30 pm — SOUTH BANK SUMMER KIDS
Tristan's Magic Garden. Percussion instruments of many lands explored and explained by Tristan Fry.
£1.50 (children) £2.50 (adults) GLC

GLC Working for the Arts in London

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

RAYMOND GUBBAY presents — THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER at 7.30 pm

Happy Birthday Mr. Handel

A concert to commemorate the 300th Anniversary Year of the birth of George Frideric Handel
Prog. inc: Arrival of the Queen of Sheba, Zadok the Priest, Music for the Royal Fireworks, Hallelujah Chorus, Water Music, etc.
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA OF LONDON — TALLIS CHAMBER CHOIR
PHILIP SIMMS conductor — JOHN GRAHAM HALL tenor
£3.50, £4.50, £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 Hall 01-928 3191 C. C. 01-928 8800
Children 16 and under half price.

The BBC presents the 91st season of Henry Wood Promenade Concerts

PROMS 85

19 July — 14 September
Royal Albert Hall

TONIGHT 7.30 — PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
LORIN MAAZEL — Don Juan: STRAUSS; Symphony No.7: WILLIAM SCHUMAN; Symphony No.9 in E minor (from the New World): DVORAK
TICKETS: £2.40 ONLY

MONDAY 26 AUGUST 7.30 — LONDON SINFONIETTA
RETURNS ONLY — Works by Gershwin, Aaron Copland, Ives, Leonard Bernstein

TUESDAY 27 AUGUST 7.30 — BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
DAVID ATHERTON, PATRICIA ROZARIO, STEPHEN ROBERTS, PETER DONOHOE, BBC Singers — Le roi des étoiles: STRAVINSKY; Cancos: L'Alta anunçada del Rei En Jaume (1st UK performance): GERHARD; Piano Concerto No.2: BARTOK; The Rite of Spring: STRAVINSKY
TICKETS: £7.50, £5.40, £3.75, £2.40

WEDNESDAY 28 AUGUST 7.30 — ROYAL LIVERPOOL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
MAREK JANOWSKI, MICHAEL THOMPSON HORN QUARTET — Siegfried Idyll: WAGNER; Symphony No.4 in D minor: SCHUMANN; Konzertstück in F major for four horns, Sinfonietta: JANACEK
TICKETS: £5.40, £3.75, £2.40 only

THURSDAY 29 AUGUST 7.30 — BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
SIR CHARLES GROVES, JESSYE NORMAN — A Faust Overture: WAGNER; Pavane: FAURE; Poème de l'amour et de la mer: CHAUSSON; Symphony No.2 in D major: BRAHMS
TICKETS: £7.75, £5.40 only

FRIDAY 30 AUGUST 7.30 — BBC PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
LEONARD SLATKIN, ALICIA DE LARROCHA — Concerto in D: STRAVINSKY; Piano Concerto No.24 in C minor, K.491: MOZART; Symphony No.2: PISTON; Suite: The Firebird (1919): STRAVINSKY
TICKETS: £3.75, £2.40 only

PROMENADE TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE NIGHT ONLY
£1.40 (Arena) £1.10 (Gallery)
Box Office 01-589 8212 C.C. 01-589 9465 Ticketmaster 01-379 6433

CC Most credit cards accepted for telephone bookings or at box office. When telephoning use prefix 01 only when outside London Metropolitan Area.

OPERA & BALLET

ARUNDEL Festival Society presents World Premiere Opera "LANCELOT" by Iain Hamilton
2., 28, 26 Aug. 7.45pm.
Tilting Yard, Arundel Castle.
Box Office 0903 883474

COLISEUM S 836 3161 CC 240 5258
1985/86 season opens Wednesday
ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA
Wed 7.30: RIGOLETTO

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE COVENT GARDEN 01-240 1066/1911. Access, Visa, Diners Club, S. 10am-8pm Mon-Fri. Closed August 26. THE ROYAL OPERA 1985/86 Season Opens Sept 19 with the British Premiere of Karlheinz Stockhausen's DONNERSTAG aus LICHT
Also booking Il Barbiere di Siviglia, A Florentine Tragedy, The Sunday of the Infanta, L'elisir d'amore, Il trovatore.

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916
NEW SADLER'S WELLS OPERA
Autumn Season Booking.
01-278 0855 for Brochure

CONCERTS

HENRY WOOD Chamber Orchestra in concert at Hodgsons Restaurant, Chancery Lane, Friday 6th September 6th. For details tel. 01-242 2834.

THEATRES

CREDIT CARD bkgs 01-379 6433 for shows, concerts etc. Most without booking fee. Ring TICKETMASTER for speed, choice, service

ARTS 01-834 2129 CC 379 6433. Mon-Thur 9am. Fri & Sat 9 & 8.30
THE HARDMAN
By Tom McGrath & Jimmy Boyle
"RAW & UNCOMPROMISING" Obs

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913/4 CC 741 9999/379 6433/836 7358. Group sales 930 6123.
"Happiest show in town" S.Exp
THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL
ME AND MY GIRL
ROBERT LINDSAY
"An Absolutely Inspired Performance" F.Times
FRANK THORNTON, EMMA THOMPSON
DIRECTED BY MIKE OCKRENT
Nightly at 7.30, Mats Wed 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00
SOME RETURNS USUALLY AVAILABLE FROM BIG-AFTERNOON

ALBERY, 836 3878 cc 379 6866 cc 741 9999, Group Sales 930 6123/836 3962/434 3592. Eves 8.00. Fri & Sat 6.00 & 8.45.
Joe Brown — Lynsey de Paul
Jeremy Clyde — Peter Duncan
Clodagh Rodgers — Chad Stuart
THE ACCLAIMED FUN MUSICAL
PUMP BOYS & DINETTES
"A blast of fresh air! The music is terrific" NY Post
Premiere at air conditioned theatre! Last 5 weeks

ALBERY, 836 3878 cc 379 6866 cc 741 9999, Group Sales 930 6123, 836 3962. Red Price Previews from 19 Sept, opens Oct 1st. Mon-Fri 7.15, Sat 7.30 & 2.30 from 12 Oct.
ANTONY SHER
in
Harvey Fierstein's Tony Award winning
TORCH SONG TRILOGY

ALDWYCH THEATRE 01-836 6404/0641. cc 379 6233. Evenings 7.30. Mats Wed 2.30. Sat 4.00 & 8.00
PAUL EDDINGTON & PRUNELLA SCALES in SIMON GRAY'S hit
TOM STOPPARD'S
JUMPERS
with ANDREW SACHS
Directed by PETER WOOD

AMBASSADORS 836 6111. CC 379 6433. Eves 8.00. Mats Tue & Sat 3.00.
FIGARO
"AN EXTRAORDINARY PRODUCTION! THE MOST WONDERFUL NIGHT I SAW" Punch

APOLLO 01-437 2663/434 3598. Eves 8.00. Mat Thur 3.00. Sat 5.30 & 8.30.
ELIZABETH GURNER — SIMON WILLIAMS
in FRIGHTING CHANCE
by N J Crisp

APOLLO VICTORIA 828 8665 cc 630 6262 Grp Sales 930 6123
STARLIGHT EXPRESS
Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER
Lyrics by — Directed by
RICHARD STILGOE, TREVOR NUNN & MARTIN LLOYD-ELLIES
ANYTHING AROUND IN EVERY DIMENSION" D Exp
Eves 7.45 Mats Tue & Sat 3.0
BOOKING THRU MAY 1986

ASHCROFT CROYDON 01-688 9291 cc 01-686 6925
PATRICIA PHOENIX
in Agatha Christie's thriller
SPIDER'S WEB
with ANTHONY BOOTH

BARBICAN 01-628 8795/638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm)
ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY
BARBICAN THEATRE today 2.00 & Mon 7.30 HAMLET (runs 3 hrs 40). 27-28 Aug LOVE'S LABOUR'S LOST. 31 Aug-5 Sep RED NOSES final perfs. 6 Sep 4 prs RICHARD III alternate with Part 2. From 27 Sep LES MISERABLES — a musical
THE PIT today 3.30 THE WAR PLAYS by Edward Bond. Pt 1/2/3 (each one runs 3 hrs). Mon. 26 Aug. 12.30 Pt 3.
BLOOMSBURY, Gordon St, WC1 387 9629 CC 388 1463
Last perf tom at 8pm.
HARVEY & THE WALLBANGERS
"LIKE MEN POSSESSED"
"Fascinating . . . Talented" D Mail

CHICHESTER 0243 781312
THE PHILANTHROPIST
THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL
Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30

COMEDY 930 2578. CC 839 1438
Eves 8.0, Fri & Sat 6 and 8.45
LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS
"I LOVED IT — HOPE IT RUNS FOR 1,000 YEARS" Time Out
GROUP SALES 930 6123.

CRITERION, Air Cond. S 930 3216 CC 379 6868/379 6433/741 9999. Groups 836 3962. Eves 8.0. Mats Thurs 2.30, Sat 5.30 & 8.30.
"BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" Daily Mail
The Theatre of Comedy Company
JEFFREY — GEOFFREY
HOLLAND — HUGHES
BERNARD BRESSLAW
LINDA — SHARTTA
HAYDEN — WILSON
with PAUL DARROW
and BARRY HOWARD in
RUN FOR YOUR WIFE
Written and Directed by
RAY COONEY

DOMINION THEATRE 01-580 9562
Access & Visa 01-323 1676/7
WORLD FAMOUS
THE MOSCOW STATE CIRCUS
DIRECT FROM THE USSR
FUN & THRILLS FROM
70 PERFORMERS
Eves 7.45 Sats 5.0 & 8.30. Sun 5.0
Prices: £9.80 & £11. Mat 3pm.

DONMAR WAREHOUSE 836 3028
SHOWPEOPLE present
HOW LUCKY CAN YOU GET
A cabaret starring Josephine Blake, Ray Evans, Diane Langton & Angela Richards. "INFECTIOUS & ELUDY-ABLE" S.Exp. Tues-Thu 10pm. Fri & Sat 11pm. Sun 6.0 & 10.30. CC 379 6866/379 6433/741 9999. Grps 930 6123.

DONMAR WAREHOUSE 836 3028
KERN GOES TO HOLLYWOOD
A celebration of Jerome Kern with Blake Dauneey, Daryll Kennedy, Liz Robertson, Elizabeth Welch
"JOYOUS" D. Mail. "OFFERS A LIFT TO THE SPIRITS AND BALM TO THE SOUL" Gdn. Mon-Fri 7.30. Sat 6.0 & 8.30. CC 379 6866/379 6433/741 9999 Grps 930 6123.

DUCHESS THEATRE 01-836 8243/240 9648/379 6433 cc 836 8243/240 9648/379 6433cc or Wkg Sch. Tues 7.30. Eves 8.00. Fri & Sat 5.30 & 8.30pm.
GARY BOND — NICHOLA McAULIFFE
A STATE OF AFFAIRS
by Graham Swannell for Peter James
"ENJOYABLE SALUTES INTO THE SEX WAR — IT SURE UP MARRIAGE" — F Times
"BRILLIANTLY OBSERVED" S Tel.
"GARY BOND SUPREME" — D Mail
NICHOLA McAULIFFE "A THEATRICAL MASTERPIECE" D Mail
AIR CONDITIONED THROUGHOUT

DUKE OF YORK'S 836 5122 CC 836 9837/379 6433 Grp Sales 930 6123. Eves 8, Mat Thu & Sat 5 & 8.30.
"TRIUMPH ON TAP!" Eve Std
STEPPING OUT
The Hit Comedy by Richard Harris
Directed by Julia McKenzie
IN THIS YEAR'S
COMEDY OF THE YEAR
Standard Drama Award 1984
"...LAUGH YOURSELF INTO STITCHES" Obs
Had the first night audience yelling for more" D Mail "Must surely take the town . . . GO NOW" D Tel "Beats all approval" Times "It's going to be, ta, too forever" N.O.W. "Great new All Dancing, All Joyous Somerset Hit Comedy . . . A GREAT EVENING" B.B.C.

DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL 01-836 8108, 01-240 9066, 01-240 9067
DAVID MERRICK'S
42ND STREET
"The show has now swept up all the top prizes for musicals" D. Exp
BEST MUSICAL
Standard Drama Award
"Exhilarating" D Tel
BEST MUSICAL
Laurence Olivier Award
"Dazzling" D. Mail
BEST MUSICAL
Plays & Players
London Theatre Critics Award
"You won't find a show in London with more razzle dazzle" D. Exp.
Eves 8.00. Mats Wed 3.00, Sats 5.00 & 8.30. Group Sales 01-930 6123.
Booking until July 1986.
BOX OFFICE 9 am Mon-Sat 10am-8pm.

FORTUNE S. 836 2238 cc
Eves 8.00. Fri & Sat 6.00 & 8.40.
FULLY AIR CONDITIONED
THIS YEAR'S
COMEDY OF THE YEAR
Laurence Olivier Award for 1984
UP 'N' UNDER
"A WONDERFUL COMEDY" S.Times. "Splendid". D.Tel. "One of the funniest and best evenings plays you are ever likely to get . . . TOTALLY HYSTERICAL!" Obs. Excitement and hilarity . . . permeating the audience to clap and cheer" S.Tel. "A JOY" S.Exp.

GARRICK S CC 01-836 4601./379 6433 Eves 8.0. Mat Wed & Sat 5.0
NO SEX, PLEASE - WE'RE BRITISH
Directed by Allan Davis

GLOBE, cc 01-437 1592.
Andrew Lloyd Webber presents the
COMEDY OF THE YEAR
Society of West End Theatre Award '85
DAISY PULLS IT OFF
by Denise Deegan
Directed by David Gilmore
Eves 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0 & Sat 4.0
Group Sales 930 6123
"THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE HOOT & A SCREAM" S.Times
THIRD GREAT YEAR

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. Evenings 7.45. Mats Sat 3.0 & 5.30. The New Vic Theatre in ROLY AT THE REGAL by Paul Woods.

HAMPSTEAD THEATRE 722 9301. Eves 8.00 Sat Mats 4.30 THE DAUGHTER-IN-LAW by D. H. Lawrence. "A memorable evening" F.T. "A very good evening indeed" FT

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL 01-930 9832. Group Sales 930 6123. Eves Mon-Sat 7.30. Mats Wed & Sats 2.30.
"LAUREN BACALL'S STAR QUALITY GLOWS WITH A HARD STEELY INCANDESCENCE THAT COULD SHATTER A DIAMOND" Sun. Exp.
LAUREN BACALL
in
TENNESSEE WILLIAMS
SWEET BIRD OF YOUTH
Directed by Harold Pinter
"HAROLD PINTER'S PRODUCTION ESTABLISHES THE PIECE AS ONE OF WILLIAMS' VERY BEST" Fin Times

JEANNETTA COCHRANE 242 7040
National Youth Theatre
CAUCASIAN CHALK CIRCLE Eve 7.30.

KING'S HEAD 226 1916. Doz 7.30 Eves 8.30.
HAROLD PINTER'S THE LOVER.

HER MAJESTY'S 01-930 6606 CC 01-930 4025 Group Sales 930 6123
WEST SIDE STORY
SECOND TRIUMPHANT YEAR
"FINGER CLICKING GOOD" Sts.
"THE BEST MUSICAL EVER WRITTEN" City Limits. Mon-Fri. evgs 7.30. Sat 4.45 & 8.0. Mat Wed 2.30.
ALL SEAT PRICES ON SALE THROUGH SUMMER. MUST CLOSE 28 SEPTEMBER.

LONDON PALLADIUM 01-437 7373
Evenings 7.30. Mats Wed & Sats 2.45
THE LONGEST RUNNING SHOW IN THE YEARS AT THE LONDON PALLADIUM
TOMMY STEELE IN SINGIN' IN THE RAIN
MUST CLOSE SEPT 28.
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY ONE SPECIAL PERF AT 7.30.

LONDON PALLADIUM 01-437 7373
Opens Dec 23—Then daily 2.30 & 7.30
DES O'CONNOR
in CINDERELLA
with PAUL NICHOLAS
Booked prior previews Dec 18-21. Group Sales 930 6123. Seats now AVAILABLE. APPLY BOX OFFICE 01-437 7373. Credit Cards accepted.

LYRIC THEATRE, Shaftesbury Ave W1. 01-437 3686/7 01-45 1050
CC 01-434 1550 01-734 5166/7
BERYL REID — JEAN-PIERRE AUMONT
PHILLIPS — GWEN WATFORD
& AMANDA WARING in
LERNER & LOEWE'S MUSICAL
GIGI
Directed by John Dexter
OPENS Tues 17th Sept at 7.0
Red. price previews from 31st August
Eves 7.30 Sats 4.0 & 8.15 Wed Mats 3.0 (from 25th Sept) Grp Sales Box Office 01-930 6123
ADVANCE BOOK OFFICE NOW OPEN

LYTTELTON 928 2252 CC 928 5933 'S' (National Theatre's concession stage). Today, Tue 3.00 (low price matin) & 7.45. Mon 7.45, then Sept 6 to 7 Sat 2.30 Sats & 7.45 Wed Mats 3.0 (from 25th Sept) Grp Sales Box Office 01-930 6123
ADVANCE BOOK OFFICE NOW OPEN

MAYFAIR S CC 629 3036. Mon-Thu 8 Fri/Sat 8.40 & 8.10 Grp 930 6123.
RICHARD TODD
Eric Landor, Annette Andre
THE BUSINESS OF MURDER
The Hit Thriller by Richard Harris
"The best thriller for years" S Mir. "An impeccably worked plot" — "A thriller that achieves it all. Sensational" Times. "The most ingenious mystery to have appeared in a decade. A play to be seen" D Mail. FT
5TH GREAT YEAR
OVER 1600 PERFORMANCES

NATIONAL THEATRE, South Bank
NATIONAL THEATRE COMPANY
See SEPARATE ENTRIES UNDER OLIVIER/LYTTELTON
Excellent car parking seven day of perf, both theatres from 10am.
RESTAURANT 928 2033
CHEAP EASY CAR PARK.

NEW LONDON Drury Lane WC2 01 405 0072 CC 01 404 4079 Eves 7.45 Tue & Sat 3.0 & 8.0
THE ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER/T. S. ELIOT MUSICAL
CATS
Group Bookings 01 405 1567 or 01 930 6123 (Apply daily to Box Office for returns). Alternative CC Bookings 379 6131. Postal applications now being accepted from Feb 3 to May 31 '86

MERMAID THEATRE 01-236 5568 CC 741 9999 Grp Sales 930 6123 Eves 7.30. Mats Tues & Sat 2.30
ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY
ALAN HOWARD — GEMMA JONES — JENNY AGUTTER
BREAKING THE SILENCE
By STEPHEN POLIAKOFF
"MARVELLOUS RSC PRODUCTION" By RON DANIELS
"A" OVER 100 PERFORMANCES

OLD VIC 928 7616 CC 261 1821 Eves 7.30. Wed mats 2.30. Sat 4.0 & 8.0
Direct from America
THE ACTING COMPANY in Marc Blitzstein's controversial musical
Opens
THE CRADLE WILL ROCK
Directed by JOHN HOUSEMAN
"Thanks to Houseman's pitch-perfect direction and his cast's vibrancy, the evening possesses a blazing vitality" Time Magazine.

OLD VIC 928 7616 CC 261 1821 Reduced price previews 10 Sept at 7.30. Opens 11 Sept 7.0
HANNAH GORDON — ROBERT STEPHENS
BLAKENEY AUDLEY — KATE O'MARA
GARY WALDHORN — PATRICIA QUINN
ROBERT HEPTON in LIGHT UP THE SKY
a comedy by MOSS HART directed by Keith Hack

OLD VIC CC Hotline 01-261 1821 SEE IT! BUS & TUBE SHOWS AND SAVE UP TO 33%
WITH AN OLD VIC SUBSCRIPTION
See DENNIS WATERMAN and RULA LENSKA
in the Broadway comedy
SAME TIME NEXT YEAR
plus 6 more hit shows
from £9.00 to £14.
SEASON STARTS SEPT 10
Rings 01-928 7616 NOW FOR 1985/86 SUBSCRIPTION BROCHURE

OLIVIER 928 2252 CC 928 5933 'S' (National Theatre's open air theatre)
Today 2.00 (low price mat) & 7.15. Mon 7.15 last perfs. COMEDIANS, by Trevor Griffiths. Previews from Sept 6 THE REAL INSPECTOR HOUND / THE CRITIC.

OPEN AIR REGENT'S PARK S 486 2431. CC 379 6433 or hotline 486 1933
MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM
Today, 2.30, RING ROUND THE MOON Today, Mon & Tues 7.45. "As You Like It" Sept 3rd to 7th.

PALACE THEATRE 437 6834 cc 437 6123 or 379 6433. Grp Sales 930 6123. Eves 7.45 Mat Thur & Sat 2.30.
"THE MUSICAL THAT MAKES YOU FALL IN LOVE WITH SHOW BUSINESS" — Punch
RODGERS & HART'S
ON YOUR TOES
"Deliciously funny" Times.
"RUN TO SEE THIS SHOW" D Mail.
LAST TWO MONTHS — MUST CLOSE 19 OCTOBER.

PHOENIX 240 9661 CC 836 2294 Eves 8 Mat Thu 3 Sat 5 & 8.20
MARTIN SHAW
"IS JUST AMAZING . . . THE PERFORMANCE IS A LANDMARK" Daily Express
ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT?
BY ALAN BLEASDALE
"...TAKES THE WEST END BY STORM" The Sun
"A GREAT NIGHT OUT...SEE THIS" Today
"IT'S MAGNIFICENT" Observer

PICCADILLY THEATRE Air Cond 437 4506, 734 9536 Credit Card Hotlines 379 6565/741 9999. Group Sales 434 3592/836 3962/930 6123.
"A BRILLIANT NEW MUSICAL" BBC
DAVID ESSEX — FRANK FINLAY
"A BRILLIANT" NEW MUSICAL" BBC
MUTINY!
"TREMENDOUS SPECTACLE" Guardian. "MAGICAL" WIZARDRY" S Tel.
Eves 8.00. Mats Sat 5.0. Wed 3.00.
Tickets available at all Principal Ticket Agencies.

PRINCE EDWARD. Tel 01-437 6877 S
EVITA
Eves. 8.0. Mats. Thurs & Sat at 5.0.
Booking 439 8499, 379 6433, 741 9999. Group Sales 930 6123.
LAST SIX MONTHS.

PRINCE OF WALES 01-930 8681/2 cc HOTLINE 01-930 0844/5/6. Group Sales 01-930 6123
K Prowse 01-741 9838
Evngs 7.30. Mats Thur & Sat at 3.00.
"One of the best musicals of all time" — The Sid
The National Theatre of Gt Britain Award Winning
GUYS AND DOLLS
Starring LULU
NORMAN ROSSINGTON
CLARKE PETERS
BETSY BRANTLEY
DAVID HEALY
"A raucously elegant show" - S Times
"A CLASSIC of its kind" - D Tel
"DYNAMITE" - D Mail
"It can only encourage American tourists to clog the capital's transport system demanding directions to Piccadilly Circus" - The Times

QUEEN'S: 01-734 1166, 734 1167, 734 0261, 734 0120, 439 3849, 439 4031. Grp Sales 930 6123. Eves 7.45, Wed Mats 2.30

VANESSA REDGRAVE
JONATHAN PRYCE
"Are Positively Electric" F.T.
in
THE SEAGULL
by
Anton Chekhov
Directed by CHARLES STURRIDGE
FOR A LIMITED SEASON

ROYAL COURT S CC 730 1745
The Royal Court presents
The New York Shakespeare Festival
Joseph Papp production of
AUNT DAN AND LEMON
by Wallace Shawn
Eves 8pm.

SAVOY. Box Office 01-836 8888 Credit Cards 01-379 6219/836 0479 Evgs 7.45, Wed 3.00, Sat 6.00 & 8.30. 4th YEAR OF THE AWARD WINNING COMEDY HIT
MICHAEL MEDWIN
JOSEPHINE TEWSON — HUGH PADDICK
ROLAND CURRAM — PHILIP BIRD
DILYS WATLING
NOISES OFF
MICHAEL FRAYN'S COMEDY IS THE FUNNIEST PLAY I HAVE EVER SEEN IN THE WEST END "Times. Directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE

SHAFTESBURY 379 5399 CC 741 9999. Grp Sales 930 6123. Evgs 8.0. Sat 6.30 & 9.00. Wed Mat 3.0
THEATRE OF COMEDY COMPANY
Aimée — Rodgers
Morag Watson — Wanda Venthams
Leslie Lawton and Kathy Staff
TWO INTO ONE
Written & Directed by
RAY CROONEY
"HILARIOUS PRODUCTION" FT. "Comic acting at its finest." S Tele.
OVER 300 PERFORMANCES

SHAW 388 1394
National Youth Theatre
IF YOU WANNA GO TO HEAVEN
Evgs 7.30.

ST MARTINS. 836 1443. Special CC No 01-379 6433. Eves 8.00. Tues 2.45. Sat 5.00 & 8.00
AGATHA CHRISTIE'S 33rd year of
THE MOUSETRAP

STRAND WC2 01-836 2660/4143/ 8132. Opens Sept 4 at 7.0 Sat. Evgs 8.0 Mats Wed 2.30, Sat 5.30 & 8.30
DAVID JASON — RICHARD VERNON — LYNDA BELLINGHAM
LOOK, NO HANS!
A New Comedy by John Chapman & Michael Pertwee
Directed by Miles Ockrent.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON Royal Shakespeare Theatre (0789 295623.
ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY
MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR
Today 1.30 Wed 7.30 "...A great night out..." Times. TROILUS & CRESSIDA Tonight 7.30. Mats Tue, Thurs & Sat. "...Masterful and Triumphant..." S. Times. For special meal/theatre deals and hotel stopover ring 0789 67262.

VAUDEVILLE 01-836 9987/836 8646 Eves 7.45, Wed 2.30, Sat 5.0, 8.30.
WINNER OF ALL 5 MAJOR AWARDS
BEST PLAY OF THE YEAR
POLLY ADAMS — CLIVE FRANCIS
JAN MARSH — KEITH DRAINE
MICHAEL FRAYN'S NEW PLAY
BENEFACTORS
Directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE
LAST WEEKS - MUST CLOSE SEPT 7

VAUDEVILLE 01 836 9987/836 8646 Half-price previews from Sept 18
Opening September 25
RICHARD STILGOE & PETER SELLERS
WHO PLAYS WINS
A para-musical entertainment written & composed by Peter Sellers & Richard Stilgoe. For 6 weeks only.

VICTORIA PALACE 01-834 1317. Evening 7.30. Mats Sat only 2.45
MICHAEL CRAWFORD in
BARNUM
BOX OFFICE OPEN MON-SAT 9AM-8PM, AND ON SUNDAYS FOR TEL CC BKGS ONLY 11AM-7PM.
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY ONE SPECIAL PERF AT 7.30.

WEMBLEY ARENA 01-902 1234 CC 748 1414 Grp Sales 902 8432. Tue-Fri 8pm. Sat 2pm and 8pm. Sun 2pm and 7pm.
TORVILL & DEAN
"THIS BEAUTIFUL AND THRILLING SHOW" Express. "NEVER DOWN THE SPINE" The Stage

TORVILL & DEAN
Book at Wembley Arena (Tickets available at the door for all performances). Ticket Master and all usual agents, or at the special TORVILL & DEAN TICKET CENTRE, TROCADERO, SHAFTESBURY AVE, W1.
Hurry - Last 13 days - Must end Sept 1st. Opens Nottingham Sept 12. Enquiries phone (0602) 472322.

WYNDHAM'S S 836 3028 CC 379 6565/379 6433/741 9999. Grps 930 6123/836 3962. Eves 8.0. Wed Mat 2.30. Sat 5.0 & 8.15.
SUE TOWNSEND'S
THE SECRET DIARY OF ADRIAN MOLE
AGED 13¾
Music & Lyrics by
KEN HOWARD & ALAN BLAKLEY.

YOUNG VIC 928 6363. Until 31st. (returns). Alternative CC Bookings 379 6131. Postal applications now being accepted from Feb 3 to May 31 '86

CINEMAS

ACADEMY 1, 437 3981, Dolby. Last in THE ARRIAN GARDEN (U). Progs 2.45 (not Sun) 4.45, 6.45, 8.50.
ACADEMY 2, 437 5129, OLD ENGLISH (PG). Progs at 2.20 (not Sun), 4.20, 6.25, 8.35. LAST WEEKS.
ACADEMY 3, 437 3819, THE TIMES OF HARVEY MILK (15). Progs 5.00, 6.50, 8.40.

BARBICAN CINEMA 01-628 8795. Subject to last minute alterations. Tickets bookable. Video Club 6-12 year olds (members only) Members Food (8) RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK (PG) 11.00 & 2.30. Treat Me Forever (a Woody Allen's PURPLE ROSE OF CAIRO (PG) 6.30, 8.30.

CAMDEN PLAZA 485 2443. (Opp Camden Town Tube) Edgar Reitz' HEIMAT (18) Showing in Four Parts, TODAY Part One at 12.45pm. Part Two at 6.45 pm.

CHELSEA CINEMA 351 3742 Kings Road (Nearest Tube Sloane Sq) PAT COO'S MY FIRST WIFE (15). Progs at 2.25, 4.30, 6.40, 8.55. MUST END ON WED 4TH. OPENS THURS 5TH SEPT. Lic. Bar. Licensed Restaurant. Starring CHRISTOPHER LAMBERT & ISABEL

هكذا من الاصل

Video cassettes

REVIEW

Guilt, gore and two girls with glamour

Brian De Palma, currently the cinema's most adroit purveyor of slick (some would say sick) horror, keeps being compared with Alfred Hitchcock. De Palma should not complain. What was *Dressed to Kill*, after all, if not a re-run of *Psycho*? With **Body Double**, we are again in Hitchcock country, this time revisiting *Rear Window*.

The difference is that while James Stewart, the voyeur hero of Hitchcock's film, witnesses the dirty deed while confined to a wheelchair, De Palma's protagonist (played by Craig Wasson) suffers no such restriction. Set up to watch a nasty murder being committed in the flat over the way, he becomes implicated in it: transfer of guilt, the favourite Hitchcock theme.

Body Double's arrival in Britain – it has a simultaneous video and cinema release on September 20 – has attracted controversy on account of some gory scenes which are not the stuff of family viewing. The British Board of Film Censors has insisted on minor cuts for the video version.

The reassessment of Hollywood directors led by the young critics of *Cahiers du Cinema* threw up some fairly unworthy names and a few, like Budd Boetticher, that deserved to be rescued. He was a man of talent and style whose fate was usually to supply the bottom half of a double bill; but given his slender resources he made films of exceptional quality.

He is best known for the series of exquisitely turned Westerns, minor masterpieces of the genre, which he made with Randolph Scott. With **The Rise and Fall of Legs Diamond** he switched for the first and only time to the gangster film and brought to it the same spare elegance.

Body Double (1984, 110 min). RCA/Columbia, £54
The Rise and Fall of Legs Diamond (1960, 98 min). Warner Home Video, £19.99
Dorothy Stratten – the Untold Story (64 min). CBS/Fox, £29.95
An Evening With Marlene Dietrich (50 min). Picture Music International, £19.99

As usual with Boetticher, the focus is on the individual. The social milieu, in this case the city, counts for little. Legs, played with great charm by Ray Danton, is a hoodlum who gets to the top not so much by blazing guns as personality and resource.

In the same year (1960) as *Legs Diamond* was released, a baby girl was born to Dutch parents in Vancouver. When she was three her father walked out and she later worked in a dairy to support the family. She grew into a happy blonde and fulfilled many an ordinary girl's dream by becoming the *Playboy* magazine's Playmate of the Year. Soon afterwards she was dead, shot by her estranged husband.

The **Dorothy Stratten** story is not so much untold as overtold, with two films already and a book by Stratten's lover, the director Peter Bogdanovich. The video, produced by the *Playboy* stable, adds little to the facts although it might help to sustain the legend.

Unfortunately the reminiscences of the *Playboy* luminaries from Hugh Hefner downwards only succeed in turning tragedy into a cliché. "She was", says Hef, "so special, so young, so beautiful, so full of life". The compensation is ample footage of Stratten herself, which makes you feel her loss much more than hackneyed words.

Stratten is buried in the same graveyard as another Hollywood victim, Marilyn Monroe. Her last *Playboy* spread (never published but shown here) featured unclad impersonations of the great sex goddesses: Betty Grable, Jean Harlow and Marlene Dietrich. But the point about Dietrich is that she could be sexy without taking her clothes off, not least when, late in her career, she did her one-woman cabaret.

She was not much of a singer in the strict sense and had to have her songs specially arranged to suit her limited vocal range. But the songs were only a peg for the projection of Dietrich. She was one of those rare performers who had only to flick an eyelash to have the audience in thrall.

An Evening With Marlene Dietrich is a record of a London theatre performance in 1972, one of her last. Even on a generous estimate of her birthdate she must have been pushing 70, but it never shows. The classic repertoire is here, from "You're the Cream in My Coffee" to "Falling in Love Again" and if a tape cannot fully capture that special rapport of performer and audience, it is much, much better than nothing at all.

Peter Waymark



Framed in glory: Marlene Dietrich, in her heyday as a cabaret star

Lend your ear to classic pleasure

SPOKEN WORD

In August, the A levels and O levels are finally harvested. Whether the harvest turns out heavy or light, one curious thing is true: for those who took Eng Lit, the set books, and particularly the great classic novels, will be remembered for a lifetime and most often with affection. By modern standards they tend to be long, and one way of coming to terms with that is to listen to them, beautifully read in complete and unabridged recording from Cover to Cover Cassettes. Their latest production is Wilkie Collins's *The Woman in White*, sumptuously read by Ian Holm. This is one of the best of the Victorian thrillers, full of action and suspense with characters strongly drawn but never caricatured, from the valetudinarian Mr Fairlie to the debonair Italian villain, Count Fosco. The recording occupies 18 cassettes and lasts for more than 24 entirely pleasurable hours.

I have also been listening to Charlotte Bronte's *Jane Eyre*. A lonely and ill-treated child grows into a witty young woman, of tiny stature but immense courage, who eventually finds happiness with her farouche hero Mr Rochester. Despite all its grim passages, it continues to inspire devotion in people of all ages, and Maureen O'Brien reads it with charm and much intelligence in just over 21 hours.

A project of interest to playgoers and others, as well as students, has almost reached completion: Argo have now reissued almost their entire catalogue of the plays and long poems of Shakespeare recorded under the auspices of the British Council about 20 years ago, with star players and the Marlowe Dramatic Society.

One of the most recent to reappear is *The Merry Wives of Windsor* with Angela Baddeley, Geraldine McEwan, Tony Church, Roy Dotrice and others, and the late Patrick Wymark as a rumbustious Falstaff. Others promised for this year include *King John* (with Sir Michael Hordern) and *The Rape of Lucrece* (Peggy Ashcroft).

For classic pleasures in a different mode, listen to *Alice in Wonderland*, read full-length by Patrick Routledge (just over three hours) or in an abridged version of six short episodes read by Alan Bennett. Both readers are expert, exuberant and totally delightful.

Mary Postgate

The Woman in White by Wilkie Collins, read by Ian Holm (Cover to Cover Cassettes, 18 cassettes, £39.95)
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë, read by Maureen O'Brien (Cover to Cover Cassettes, 15 cassettes, £35.65)
The Merry Wives of Windsor by William Shakespeare, with Patrick Wymark and full cast (Argo, SAY Series 414 733-4, 2 cassettes, £5.99)
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll, read by Patricia Routledge (Cover to Cover Cassettes, 3 cassettes, £8)
Alice in Wonderland (abridged) by Lewis Carroll, read by Alan Bennett (BBC Records REC 563, 1 disc; also on cassette, ZCM 563; £2.99)

Cover to Cover Cassettes are available from Dene House, Lockeridge, Marlborough, Wiltshire (062 286 495); prices include postage and VAT in UK and Europe.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Crossroads in the classroom

TELEVISION

To write about the English public school system, it is advisable to put your name down at birth. Many try, but the playwright Reg Gadney has more excuse than most. He grew up in his father's school, an experience which finds fictional form in **Drummonds** (ITV, Fri, 9-10pm).

George Drummond (Richard Pasco) runs a minor, 90-pupil institution which has a good reputation but bad debts and worse drains. Commander Binney (Edward Hardwicke) is a "land-bound naval officer" climbing into teaching up the old boys' grapevine; Patrick Heritage (Morris Perry) does a "little bit of everything" as, in his own way, does Charles (Anthony Calf), the headmaster's son and darling of the female staff.

So far, so familiar. Gadney's variation is to set the 10-part serial amid the Suez crisis of 1956, a social watershed when the school faces uncertainty about the order which its charges will inherit. Finely acted and well filmed, *Drummonds* seems set to be intelligent drama.

Stephen Mulrine's **The House on Kirov Street** (BBC2, Tuesday, 9.30-11 pm) begins shakily but, by the end, seems one of the best of the BBC's summer season of drama.

In 1941, at Yalta by the Crimean Sea, the German army occupies a house maintained as a shrine to a dead writer by an old woman, Maria Pavlovna (Patience Collier), and Natalya, her assistant (Sarah Badel). The writer, her brother, was Chekhov, among whose masterpieces



Helping: Sarah Badel, in The House on Kirov Street

was a play with a similar plot, *Three Sisters*, an account of the effect on a household of a military billeting.

Mulrine uses Chekhov's text intelligently as the skeleton of his own: the Nazi commander Major Beckman (Alan Dobie) is identified with Chekhov's unhappily married soldier hero Vershinin. It is an accomplished work.

The freedom for which the Russians were fighting in 1941 is set in contemporary context by **Sakharov** (BBC2, Wed, 9-11pm), a Jack Gold film. Jason Robards plays the Nobel prize-winner Andrei Sakharov, the long-imprisoned dissident.

Some 60 years ago at the Oval, in a schools cricket match swollen by necessity beyond the traditional 11-a-side, a batsman called P.N.L. Pears went in 13th and hit 81 not out. In a 75th birthday tribute, **The Tenor Man's Story** (ITV, Tues, 10.30-11.30pm), Sir Peter Pears insists that no memory will every match that of his youthful triumph. There is also magnificent music from Britten's operas.

Space Flight (Channel 4, Thurs, 8-9pm) follows Neil Armstrong's one small step on the moon. The pictures still thrill but the technology involved seems more homespun now than was suggested at the time.

Mark Lawson

Sleuths and glory seekers

FILMS ON TV

Robert Altman is generally accepted as one of America's most influential film-makers, but with a wayward individuality that has produced as many misses as hits. For every box-office winner such as *M*A*S*H*, there has been a *Brewster McCloud* loser. That and his challenging of film conventions – with a technique of loose structure, improvisation and sometimes blurred sound – makes him suspect, especially to the money men.

But United Artists trusted his judgement enough to ask him if he thought Elliott Gould, whom he helped make a star with *M*A*S*H*, could play Philip Marlowe, the detective created by Raymond Chandler. Yes, said Altman, immediately seizing the opportunity to direct the movie himself. The result was **The Long Goodbye** (1973), which BBC2 is showing tonight (9.10-11pm) – and which outraged the purists.

"Ugly, boring travesty", "unrewarding muddle", "a spit in the eye to a great writer" were some of the critical reactions. And Gould's portrayal of the hero (indelibly incarnated for most by Bogart in the 1946 *The Big Sleep*) was dismissed as a shambling, inarticulate mess.

Altman had updated Chandler's novel by 20 years from a Los Angeles of gloomy, mean streets and hardboiled private eyes to a bright-surfaced setting where the sun shines on private beaches and a society worthy of satire. Gould's oddball sleuth is not out of place among the nude yoga freaks, rip-off clinics and guards who won't let you pass until you've listened to their latest impersonations of movie stars.

There were certainly sea, not to say seaside, changes along the way from Chandler's novel, especially in the ending. But the plot is basically the same, even to the convolutions, as Marlow helps a pal on the run from apparently killing his wife, tries to find another missing husband and tangles with high-rolling hoodlums. Freshly turned wisecracks at the ready, of course.

And there were some ready to defend Altman as offering an intelligent and affectionate interpretation rather than a misguided parody of the conventions. He may have miscast the all-too-obviously inexperienced Nina Van Pallandt (once half of the singing duo Nina and Frederick) as one of the duplicitous protagonists, but Gould's wry bemusement is engaging. A slob but no slouch.

Altman found wider acceptance in 1975 with **Nashville**, which can be seen on BBC2 tomorrow (9-11.35pm). It's a kaleidoscopic view of not just the capital of country music but glory-seekers generally. Through the director's wittily observant eye we see a veritable parade of American dreamers all concerned with "making it" – and the sexual connotation is not accidental.

The black-tinged comedy boasts among its two dozen main characters a rich crop of the eccentrics clearly dear to Altman's heart and art. And to do them justice there is a splendid cast which includes Lily Tomlin, Barbara Harris, Geraldine Chaplin, Shelley Duvall and Keith Carradine.

Mike Sumner



Country girl: Barbara Harris in Nashville

RECOMMENDED

Time without Pity (1957): Michael Redgrave is touchingly effective as an alcoholic writer digging up murder evidence to save his son from the gallows. With Alec McCowen and Ann Todd. Directed by Joseph Losey (Channel 4, tonight, 11.15pm-12.55am).

Destry Rides Again (1939): Classic satirical Western starring James Stewart as a gunless lawman and Marlene Dietrich as a singing saloon hostess. Directed by George Marshall (BBC2, Mon, 2.40-4.10pm).

Duel in the Sun (1946): Or "Lust in the Dust", as it was stingingly labelled. But this extravagant Western is compulsive in its way, as bad boy Gregory Peck and good brother Joseph Cotten vie for half-breed Jennifer Jones. Directed by King Vidor – with a "helping" hand from Selznick, von Sternberg, Dieterle and others (Channel 4, Mon, 2.15-4.30pm).

Paths of Glory (1957): Stanley Kubrick's powerful indictment of war and the ruthless military mind. Kirk Douglas is the French colonel up against impossible odds in the trenches and in the courtroom, when he defends three soldiers selected for execution as cowards (BBC2, Mon, 10.40pm-12.05am).

***Seduced and Abandoned** (1963): Tart-edged comedy from Pietro Germi, sniping at Sicilian mores and morals. With Saro Urzi as an outraged father going to remarkable lengths to avenge the seduction of daughter Stefania Sandrelli (Channel 4, Fri, 11.30pm-1.35am).

**First British television showing.*

Learning to live in the real world

RADIO

The year 1984 has associations which proved a boon for headline writers and programme makers. The title of Bill Morris's documentary **The Class of '84** (Radio 4, Sun 10.15-11pm) has a nicely chilling ring, not inappropriate for some of its findings.

Chris Hawkesworth has been following – for the series *You and Yours* – the lives of students who left Class 5R Lawnswood Comprehensive School in Leeds last year. Twelve months on has organized a reunion at which the class reveal what proved to be their short-term futures.

Some are employed, most are not. Some are homeless but one has set up home and has a child. It may be argued that the experiences of these few have no statistical validity, but their voices add a human dimension to the percentages and charts.

The week's two major plays seem unlikely to sit happily in a sound medium. **Rookery Nook** (Radio 4, 8.30-10pm) is an adaption of the Ben travers-stage play delightful for the physicality of the farce: slamming doors, dropped trousers, double-takes.

To what extent this can be reproduced on radio remains to be heard, but Travers's scripts have a literary richness to match the precision of the staging and the words – spoken by Ian Lavender, John Grillo, Elizabeth Bell et al – should be enough to satisfy.

Shakespeare's **Richard III** (Radio 4, Mon, 7.45-10.15pm) is another play dominated by a visual image: the broken, crookback figure of the king.



Ruling: Ian Holm plays the title role in Richard III

Ian Holm, taking the title-role in Jane Morgan's version, attempts to create the character through lines alone.

Two plays receive deserved repeats. Barry Collins's **King Canute** (Radio 3, Wed, 9.35-10.30pm) is a remarkably eloquent piece about unemployment which expresses itself through symbols rather than realism. Bernard Hill is the Everyman-hero Harold Smith, who puts his redundancy payoff on a horse called King Canute and is found by his wife on Redcar sands attempting to turn back the tide.

Endangered Species (Radio 4, Wed, 3-3.47pm) was a first play for radio by John Wainwright, a former police officer turned prolific crime writer, who has staked out a literary territory somewhere between Agatha Christie and Ed McBain. His play concerns the interrogation of a police officer, with suspect views on race.

Small pleasures can be had from the return of **Critic's Forum** (Radio 3, today, 5.45-6.45pm) which reconvenes in Edinburgh after a summer break to consider Festival fare. Anita Brookner, winner of last year's Booker Prize for fiction, reads from her latest novel **Family and Friends** in **The Living Novelist** (Radio 3, Fri, 8.15-8.35pm).

Mark Lawson

THE TIMES CHOICE

CONCERTS

NEW WORLD I: Dvořak's "New World" Symphony ends this Prom by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra under Lorin Maazel, and it is preceded by another symphony from the New World, William Schuman's strenuous, arresting No 7.
Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212). Today, 7.30pm.

PUYANA PLAYS: Rafael Puyana, the distinguished harpsichordist, plays Bach's Partita BWV 826, Italian Concerto, Toccata BWV 912 and eight Scarlatti sonatas.
Queen Elizabeth Hall, Belvedere Rd, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, credit cards 01-928 8800). Today, 7.45pm.

NEW JOSEPHS: Arundel Festival opens with the world premiere of Wilfred Josephs's Clarinet Quintet by Angela Malsbury and the Medici String Quartet.
Parish Church of St Nicholas, London Rd, Arundel (0903 883474). Tomorrow, 7.45pm.

LEAPING, KNEELING: At two pianos, Gustave Fenyö and Peter Selwawright play Volans's *Leaping Dance*, Jelliman's *Two Pianos*, Volans's *Nine Beginnings*, Fargion's *Piece*, Smit's *Trio*, Volans's *Kneeling Dance*.
Institute of Contemporary Arts, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647). Tomorrow, 8pm.

NEW WORLD II: Simon Rattle and the London Sinfonietta give an American evening, with Gershwin's *Strike Up The Band* Overture, Copland's *Appalachian Spring*, Ives's *Three Places in New England*, but ending with Bernstein's garish Prelude, Fugue and Riffs.
Royal Albert Hall. Mon, 7.30pm.

RARE BIRD: Nelson Freire, a pianist of exceptional character, visits us infrequently and should not be missed in Brahms's Sonata Op 2 and substantial groups by Villa-Lobos, Chopin and Albeniz.
Queen Elizabeth Hall. Tues, 7.45pm.

NEW GERHARD: Roberto Gerhard's cantata *L'Alta naixenca del Rei en Jaume*, though composed in 1932, only now receives its UK première from the BBC Singers, BBC SO and soloists under David Atherton.
Royal Albert Hall. Tues, 7.30pm.

SCHUMANN: Robert Schumann's Symphony No 4 is followed by his rather indigestible *Konzertstuck* for Four Horns in this Prom by the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic under Marek Janowski.
Royal Albert Hall. Wed, 7.30pm.

LOVE AND THE SEA: Chausson's haunting *Poème de l'Amour et de la Mer* is sung by Jessye Norman with the BBC SO conducted by Sir Charles Groves. Wagner's A Faust Overture comes first, Brahms's Symphony No 2 last.
Royal Albert Hall. Thurs, 7.30pm.



GAVRILOV: Another outstanding pianist, Andrei Gavrilov, (above) plays two French Suites by Bach and a selection of works, as yet unannounced, by Scriabin.
Queen Elizabeth Hall. Thurs, 7.45pm.

NEW WORLD III: Another New World symphony, Walter Piston's No 2, receives a rare London performance from the BBC Philharmonic under Leonard Slatkin. Besides, Alicia de Larrocha solos in Mozart's Piano Concerto K 491, and the concert ends with Stravinsky's *Firebird* Suite (the 1919 version).
Royal Albert Hall. Fri, 7.30pm.

DANCE

MICHAEL CLARK: His new show, direct from the Edinburgh Festival, opens at Riverside Studios on Tues for a fortnight. Previous seasons there of Clark's richly inventive, highly theatrical choreography have had crowds turned away from the sold-out house.
Riverside Studios, Hammersmith (01-748 3354). Tues to Sep 8 (except Mon) at 8pm.

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET: Their new season opens with three weeks starting Tues in the Big Top at Wyvern Barracks, Exeter. This week's programme is *The Sleeping Beauty* with Princess Aurora danced by Marion Tait (Tues, Fri), Margaret Barbieri (Wed and Aug 31), Susan Lucas (Thurs matinée), Sherilyn Kennedy (Thurs eve) and Nicola Katrak (Sat matinée).
Exeter, The Big Top (advance booking at Arts Booking Centre, Princesshay, 0392 211080). Evenings at 7.30pm, matinées 2pm.

WAVES: This company from Philadelphia offers a mixture of jazz dance, ballet, breakdance and gymnastics, plus roller-skating. Its London season is its British debut.
Festival Hall (01-928 3191). Tues until Sep 7 (not Sun) at 7.30pm, matinée Sat at 3pm.

BALLET THEATRE FRANÇAIS: Last chance in Manchester to see their mixed bill of Diaghilev ballets with Nureyev as guest: *Les Sylphides*, *Les Biches*, *L'Après-midi d'un faune* and *Petrushka*.
Manchester, Palace (061-236 9922). Today at 2.30 and 7.30pm.

OPERA

LANCELOT: Iain Hamilton's new opera will be premiered tonight in the Tilting Yard of Arundel Castle, as part of this year's Arundel Festival. Cast includes Einan Davies, Mary King, Michael Rippon, Jeremy Munro. Christopher Nance conducts the Orchestra of St John's Smith Square. Also tomorrow and Mon at 7.30pm.
Festival Office, The Mary Gate, Arundel (0903 883690).

ROCK & JAZZ

IMAGINATION: "Thank You My Love", a recent near-hit single, suggested new lease of life for this British soul trio. Their concerts are invariably spectacular.
Trentham Gardens, Stoke (0782-657341). Tomorrow. St Austell Coliseum (072681-4004), Mon. Fiucrum Theatre, Slough (75-38669), Wed. Tartan House, Colchester (0206-250391), Thurs. Derngate Centre, Northampton (0604-24811), Fri.



PHILIP BAILEY: As the millions who danced to "Easy Lover" know, Phil Bailey (above) is a marvellous pop singer. They may not be aware that he is an even better gospel singer, in which capacity he will top the bill on the second day of the Greenbelt 85 festival, which runs until Monday.
Castle Ashby Park, Northants (information: 01-740 0433). Tomorrow.

ANTI-HEROIN CONCERT: Hawkwind, Spear of Destiny, the Armoury Show and the Comsat Angels are some of the bands at this afternoon (noon-8pm) event in aid of Pete Townshend's Double O charity, whose aim is the creation of a drug rehabilitation clinic. Admission is £2.50.
Crystal Palace Concert Bowl, Crystal Palace Park, London SE19. Today.

GONZALITO RUBALCABA: Soho's summer festival of Cuban music continues with Señor Rubalcaba's ensemble from Havana.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747). Tonight and Mon to Sat.

CARMEL McCOURT: Promising two hours' worth of new material, one of the many girls who sang "Cry Me a River" in '83 makes an early comeback.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747). Tomorrow.

PHOTOGRAPHY

RAILWAYS IN PHOTOGRAPHY: An exhibition devoted to photographs by photographers who have included railways in their pictures:
More a celebration of the fascination railways hold throughout the world than a history of railway photography.
National Museum of Photography, Prince's View, Bradford, W. Yorks (0274 727488). Opens Thurs.

JOSEF KOUDELKA: Koudelka, the solitary nomadic figure who followed gypsies and their festivals around Europe, has an uncanny sense of timing and design. His best known pictures are included, but there are more personal works such as still lifes and landscapes.
The ffotogallery, 41 Charles Street, Cardiff (0222 41657). Opens Thurs.

For ticket availability performance and opening times, telephone the numbers listed.
Concerts: Max Harrison: Opera: Hilary Finch: Dance: John Percival: Photography: Michael Young: Rock & Jazz: Richard Williams



THE WEEK AHEAD



DANCE

STEPPING UP: Vincent Hantam, born in South Africa, has made his name with the Scottish Ballet in works as diverse as *Chéri, Le Spectre de la Rose* and *Napoli*. He makes his debut with his new company, Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, on Friday in Exeter. He will dance the role of Bluebird in *The Sleeping Beauty*.



BOOKS

BATTLE LINES: Napoleon 1812, by Nigel Nicolson (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £10.95), is a fresh look at Napoleon's invasion of Russia. Drawing on documents and memoirs from both sides, Nicolson considers how, despite the capture of Moscow, the emperor's greatest campaign ended in disaster.



THEATRE

LONELY LEMON: Linda Hunt, Oscar-winning star of *The Year of Living Dangerously*, steps on to a London stage for the first time in *Aunt Dan and Lemon*, which explores the relationship between lonely young Lemon and the dominant Aunt Dan. Previews from Tues, Royal Court Theatre.



ROCK

NASHVILLE DIVA: Billie Jo Spears, of "57 Chevrolet" and "Blanket on the Ground," stars at the Peterborough Festival of Country Music. Other performers include Jeannie C. Riley, Bobby Bare, George Hamilton IV and The Whites. Banks of the river at Peterborough, today, tomorrow and Mon.



CONCERTS

AMADEUS RULES: Mozart continues to star in his own series at the Barbican today with Christopher Hogwood conducting the Academy of Ancient Music in Mozart's Symphony K16A, *probably composed in London in 1765*. Tim Brown performs the solo in the horn concerto No 3.

Harry Kerr



GALLERIES

FESTIVE 50: Sir Hugh Casson exhibits a collection of 50 watercolours as part of the Arundel Festival. His third show since retiring as president of the Royal Academy last December, the paintings are mostly of landscapes and buildings in Sussex. The show opens today at the Arun Art Centre, Arundel, Sussex.

A clown well versed in body language

Jean-Louis Barrault, mainstay of the French theatre, talks to Anthony Roberts about his love of the stage



For half a century, Jean-Louis Barrault says, "I have been trying to use my body as an instrument of expression". At the root of the craft of France's greatest actor-director lies this perfection of mime – what he calls "the recreation of life by gesture".

The Renaud-Barrault Theatre Company, founded by Barrault and his wife Madeleine Renaud in 1946 is coming to the Edinburgh Festival this year with Victor Hugo's bloodcurdling melodrama *Angelo, Tyran de Padoue*. Five performances of this prose play, including one matinée, are scheduled from Wednesday to August 31 at the Music Hall, and they promise to be an excellent diversion for Scots with a little French.

The show has been a success in Paris for almost a year, drawing kind reviews from the wickedest critics and attracting large audiences of shrieking children and adults. Barrault directs with music by the 16-century Italian composer Gesualdo, in honour of the centenary of Hugo's death.

Barrault also has a small buffoon's part ("I stick out my tongue from time to time"), while the major roles are played by Geneviève Page, Jacques Dacqmine, Silvia Berger and François Duval.

But "la troupe" has 80-odd members in all and has been Barrault's ruling passion ever since it was founded at the Théâtre Marigny in Paris. Both Barrault and Renaud were well known movie stars more interested in the stage than films.

Since then, "la troupe" has passed through eight Paris theatre tenancies – it is now based at the Théâtre du Rond Point – and has toured nearly every country in the western world, some of them several times. Barrault, the slender harlequin of Marcel Carné's film *Les Enfants du Paradis*, has achieved world renown.

A smallish man of 75, with a slight tic in one cheek and a penetrating voice, Barrault can still pick up a heavy chair and toss it across the stage, emitting snorts like a pony.

Jacques Tati used to say that Frenchmen always begin by seeming to take everything very seriously, but gradually temperament – and the cheeky, casual side of their personalities – have a way of taking over. In France there always has to be humour – even that literary juggernaut, Victor Hugo, couldn't write a melodrama like *Angelo* without letting it in.

Jean-Louis Barrault, on the other hand, has a reputation for serious theatre. He has earned his place in the history of the French stage by forging a connection between modern stage production and the ancient, vital tradition of the Roman mime and Italian *commedia dell'arte*.

He believes that the theatre is an artificial thing, like a piano or a flute, and for him the art lies in putting life into it. As a director he has taught two generations of French actors and actresses to respect this maxim, in performing works by a galaxy of writers: Shakespeare, Rabelais, Racine, Beaumarchais, Genet, Camus, Sartre, Beckett and a hundred others.

In his book *Saisir le Présent* (Laffont, 1984), Barrault covers 40 pages in an attempt to explain the "language of the body" he has studied for so long. He acknowledges the phyical pressure this places on an actor, who must also cope with diction and remember lines. "Playing the lead in our current production of Aristophanes's *The Birds*, I lose 2½lb every performance. The play lasts an hour and 40 minutes. But than I've always been the anxious, fretting type." He laughs. "That's what made it possible for me to play Hamlet."

Hamlet, (translated by André Gide), was perhaps Barrault's greatest rôle – at least, he thinks so – and he played it for 20 years, between 1946 and 1966. The play became one of the company's standbys, along with Marivaux's *Les Fausses Confidences*. In other words it was mounted whenever one of Barrault's more innovative projects flopped and left his people in debt.

So when he played Hamlet he tended to be "anxious" in more ways than one. On at least two occasions, when forced to move out of a theatre, he and Madeleine Renaud had to hock their cherished Picassos to keep the company afloat. "So far, we've always managed to get them back. But they're always at the ready."

Barrault has a philosophical attitude to fortune and adversity. "In my experience, success has always been precarious. We must meet our destiny head on, and sometimes it endangers us", he says. "But we have to have the courage to eat it up, so to speak: absorb it and transform it into providence."

The theme of insecurity runs through Barrault's reminiscences. He confesses that both he and Madeleine Renaud heartily dislike talking about the past. "I lost my father when I was eight, in 1918, and I've been looking for some kind of father all my life. It's one of the things that drew me to Madeleine: her father died early too, when she was four.

"I eventually found Charles Dullin, my first *maître*; then it was Paul Claudel, then Rabelais. Now I'm old", (the mime's face goes slack, the jaw droops and the voice trembles reedily)"... I try to find my father in young people. I think, in the end, this search has given me a profound feeling for death, of absolute solitude within society." Silence. Suddenly Barrault jumps up and bellows grotesquely at *The Times* photographer: "Vezzer teez bedder een ze mind to sulphur?..."

The Rabelais production, of course, was a worldwide triumph. Laurence Olivier, an old friend of Barrault's, invited the company to perform it for a season at the Old Vic in London and afterwards Barrault took the play to the United States.

On one memorable evening at Berkeley, police and students who had been thumping each other all day in the post-Kent State riots, held a truce "*... pour permettre à Rabelais de s'exprimer*". Barrault will never forget the moment when he uttered the famous words, "*Fais ce que tu voudras, parce que l'homme est libre*". Rabelais had pronounced judgement.

Expulsion from the Odeon theatre, (and the government payroll), taught Barrault a lesson he never forgot: the company's very existence was as ephemeral as any play. When, in 1973, the company came to rest in the dusty, disused Gare d'Orsay with permission to build a theatre, Barrault did so. But he made it portable. It was a wise decision: Giscard abruptly dislodged him once again in 1980, and he was able to move the theatre lock, stock and barrel across the river to the old ice rink on the Champs Elysées – seats, stage, props, the lot. And there the company remains for the time being, a monument to the tenacity of its founders.

"It was always my dream", says Barrault reflectively, "to be responsible for a group of human beings, to direct a troupe of actors, and to build a movable theatre of my own. Voilà."

EDINBURGH DIARY

First off the fringe

It's an ill wind... Black Theatre Co-op, anxious like most fringe groups to make an impression at Fringe Sunday, arrived in kilted splendour just as the huge jamboree was finishing. Not yet disheartened they saw a passing parade and, taking it to be still the Fringe parade, jumped on to a float. Since an unusually heavy premium seemed to be laid on music, two of them seized a couple of saxophones and played the only three tunes that they knew. They were understandably not a little taken aback when they discovered that, not only had they gatecrashed the International Jazz Festival Parade, but they had also won first prize!

The Young ones

Tact was not uppermost at the Television Festival this year. Not only was it suggested that the British Film Year road show should be thrown into the Atlantic, but during the same debate Colin Young's contribution on young film-makers was greeted with the call: "Help him to his feet, someone". Understandable, however, since according to the official television festival programme, Young has been director of the National Film and Television School "since its foundation in 1870".

● **This is the stage at which pressures really do begin to tell on the festival directors. Jenny Brown, director of the Edinburgh Book Festival, spent some time last week disguised as a puffin – apparently to escape attention.**

Pea in his ear

The hazards of appearing on the Fringe. Moving Picture Mime Show had to cancel their show, The Compleat Berk, half way through on Thursday afternoon when one of the performers got *a pea irretrievably stuck in his ear*. Part of the show, apparently, demands that actors attach peas to their ears with sellotape.



I'm using the money to learn how to play

Return to Oz

Not all foreigners are enamoured with the fringe – one antipodean fringe group, the Dead Ghandis, were apparently so disgruntled with a brick-batting review that they cancelled their show and packed their bags.

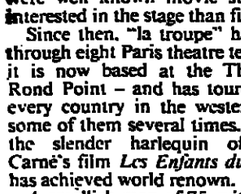
Cat-astrophic

The Flying Karamazov Brothers, jugglers extraordinaire appearing at this year's Festival, like to live life dangerously and juggle with anything the audience gives them. Generally, in their native America, they juggle fish on the East Coast, squid on the West and, in the middle, "something that will hurt them". But when they appear in Edinburgh, quarantine regulations mean that two of their most unusual and regular objects will not be with them – unless someone comes up with two kittens.

Missing media

Does the Festival no longer quicken the critical pulse? To be sure, critics have come from far and wide and media requests for tickets range from ABC Australia to the *Loanhead Bugle*. The Bavarian and provincial French press have put in an enthusiastic showing. But the major German and even French dailies have been conspicuous by their absence – auld alliance notwithstanding. Why so?

NT
NEXT PERFS OF AN ACCLAIMED PRODUCTION
Goldsmith's classic masterpiece
SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER
A FARCICAL COMEDY



Dora Bryan ... "worth walking a hundred miles to see" (Observer) "Surprises and delights lie in wait around every corner" (Time Out)
Lyttelton: Today & Tues at 3.00 & 7.45. Mon at 7.45
Standby: Any unsold seats at low prices from 2 hours before performance
NATIONAL THEATRE
(Box Office: 01 928 2252 Credit Cards: 01 928 5933)

THE TIMES CHOICE

THEATRE

OPENINGS

GREASE: Cambridge Independent Theatre with a new production of the 1950s revival rock musical. Bloomsbury Theatre, Gordon Street, London WC1 (01-387 9629). Opens Mon. Charity performance Wed.

THE ROPE AND ISLAND STORIES: Sculptor/performance artist Nigel Rolfe who is described as "perverse yet mesmerizing, sensual but severe", presents his latest work, using live and closed circuit video.
Institute of Contemporary Arts, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647). Opens Tues.

ZARZUELA: First London performances of the uniquely Spanish form of music theatre, as presented by the group Antologia de la Zarzuela. Directed by Jose Tamayo and featuring dancers and singers, with full chorus and orchestra.
Odeon, Hammersmith (01-748 4081). Fri and Aug 31 (three shows).

MOSCOW STATE CIRCUS: Popov the clown, high-wire acts, illusionists, acrobats.
Dominion (01-580 9562). Opens Wed.

SELECTED

GUYS AND DOLLS: Lulu stars as Miss Adelaide in the National Theatre's exuberant revival.
Prince of Wales (01-930 8681).

PRAVDA: David Hare and Howard Brenton's near-the-knuckle account of the rise of a ruthless colonial newspaper magnate.
Olivier (01-928 2252).

RICHARD III: Antony Sher in a mesmeric performance.
Barbican (01-628 8795/638 8891).

RING ROUND THE MOON: Stick revival of Anouilh starring Patrick Ryecart and Helen Lindsay.
Open Air Theatre, Regent's Park, London NW1 (01-486 2431).

OUT OF TOWN

BRISTOL: Androcles and the Lion/Bedtime Story: Shaw's fable and a comic curtain-raiser by Sean O'Casey are the opening presentations at the Old Vic.
Theatre Royal Old Vic (0272 24388). *Androcles* and *Bedtime Story* open Wed.

CORBY: First stop on the sixth regional tour by the Royal Shakespeare Company, featuring the Brecht/Weill musical Happy End and The Taming of the Shrew.
Civic Theatre (05366 3482). Opens Tues.

SCARBOROUGH: Woman in Mind: Final week of the latest Alan Ayckbourn play, premiered here in May, and directed by the author.
Stephen Joseph Theatre in the Round (0723 370541). Today and Mon-Fri. Final perf Aug 31.

FILMS

OPENINGS

A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET (18): The outrageous horror director Wes Craven edges closer to the commercial mainstream with this turbulent tale of four young friends who find they share the same bloody nightmare.
Leicester Square Theatre (01-930 5252). From Fri.



RAMBO: FIRST BLOOD PART II (15): Sylvester Stallone (above) is no longer Rocky but Rambo – a Special Operations wizard enlisted to find war prisoners in Vietnam.
Warner (01-439 0791), Classic Haymarket (01-839 1527), Classic Oxford Street (01-636 0310). From Fri.

SELECTED

HEIMAT (15): Edgar Reitz's massive, absorbing epic of daily life in a fictitious German village – 15 hours and 36 minutes full of astonishing acting, quirky detail and a marvellous sense of history on the move.
Camden Plaza (01-485 2443); shown complete over the weekend, with separate screenings of the four parts during the week.

INSIGNIFICANCE (15): Nicolas Roeg's latest film contains all the expected ideas and visual wit, though the material's stage origins restrict some of his stylistic flights. Theresa Russell, Gary Busey, Michael Emil and Tony Curtis star.
Odeon Haymarket (01-930 2771).

THE PURPLE ROSE OF CAIRO (PG): Woody Allen remains behind the camera for this deft technical juggling feat with Mia Farrow and Jeff Daniels.
Screen on the Green (01-226 3520), Classic Royal (01-930 6915), Gate Bloomsbury (01-837 1177).

MY FIRST WIFE (15): Intensely felt study of a marital break-up from the leading Australian film-maker Paul Cox *(Man of Flowers, Lonely Hearts)*, with John Hargreaves and Wendy Hughes.
Lumiere (01-836 0691) and Chelsea Cinema (01-351 3742).

GALLERIES

OPENINGS

ARTIST POTTERS NOW: Work by 22 contemporary British studio potters. All the pieces (which are for sale) have been made specially for this exhibition, which reflects the styles, techniques and attitudes that have changed the emphasis of ceramics from domestic pottery to collectors' items of decorative art.
Sotheby's, 34 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080). From Wed.

CITY PROJECTIONS: The ICA has invited Krzystof Wodiczko to make up to three projections in London which will "illuminate the hidden implications of public architecture *and question social and political myths*".
ICA, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647). From Wed.

SELECTED

EDWARD BURRA/HOCKNEY PAINTS THE STAGE: Glorious and wide-ranging double bill.
Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3144).

GERALD SCARFE IN YORK: Original drawings and models from the master of the macabre.
City Art Gallery, Exhibition Square, York (0904 23839).

IN FASHION: Dresses and accessories of 100 years ago are on show with examples of fashion today, selected from designers and retailers.
City Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Square, Birmingham (021-235 2834).

For ticket availability, performance and opening times, telephone the numbers listed.
Theatre: Tony Patrick and Martin Cropper; Galleries: Prudence Home; Films: Geoff Brown; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

GLYNDEBOURNE TOURING OPERA: Postal booking open for *Carmen, Idomeneo*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, for tour beginning Oct 8. Phone booking from Sept 17.
Box Office, Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273 812411). Also booking at Oxford Apollo Theatre (0865 244544), Manchester Palace Theatre (061 236 9922), Birmingham Hippodrome (021 622 7486) and Southampton Gaumont (0703 29771).

CBSO IN CHELTENHAM: Series of 10 Tuesday evening concerts by City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra in Cheltenham Town Hall, with appearances by the Labeque sisters and Radu Lupu, and conductors including Simon Rattle, Christopher Seaman, Walter Weller, and Sir Charles Groves. Subscription booking open for series of five or 10 concerts, Sept-May.
City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, Box Office, Town Hall, Cheltenham, Glos (0242 523690).

WIGMORE HALL AUTUMN SERIES: Subscription booking open for autumn season, with series including Early Music and Baroque, London Pianoforte, song recitals, Master Concerts and Late Romantics from Austria and Germany. Appearances by Takacs Quartet, Nash Ensemble, and Gabrieli String Quartet, with soloists including Maria Ewing, Felicity Palmer, Elly Ameling, Lucia Popp.
Box Office, Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmor Street, London W1 (01-935 2141).

LAST CHANCE

CORIOLANUS: Last performances of Peter Hall's production before it travels to Greece. Today at 2 and 7.15pm, Mon 7.15pm.
National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 5933).

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH BALLET: Last performance today by 30 dancers from Brisbane, Queensland, aged 10-17.
Royal Festival Hall, London SE1 (01-928 3191). Credit cards: 01-928 8800; information: 01-928 3002.

ROYAL ACADEMY SUMMER EXHIBITION: More than 1,700 works exhibited in the Academy's annual open show for the work of living artists. Closes tomorrow. Admission £2.20.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052).

EDINBURGH CHOICE

CONCERTS

POLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: Under Jerzy Maksymiak, the Polish Chamber Orchestra plays Lutoslawski's *Funeral Music* for Bartók and Bartók's Music for Strings, Percussion and Celeste.
Queen's Hall. Today, 11am.

SCHUBERT, MAHLER: The Philharmonia Orchestra plays Schubert's "Unfinished" Symphony and Mahler's Symphony No 5, conducted by Giuseppe Sinopoli.
Usher Hall. Wed, 8pm.

ALL MAHLER: Giuseppe Sinopoli and the Philharmonia Orchestra are joined by Lucia Popp and Carolyn Watkinson (mezzo soprano) and the Edinburgh Festival Chorus for Mahler's "Resurrection" Symphony.
Usher Hall. Thurs, 8pm.

DANCE

GRCOP: This is not the Ballet of the Paris Opera but an affiliated experimental group (Groupe de Recherche Chorégraphique de l'Opéra de Paris). They do some works by French choreographers but the best things in their repertory are by Americans. At Edinburgh Festival for two nights only.
Edinburgh Playhouse. Fri and Aug 31 at 7.30pm.

THEATRE

MISS JULIE: Strindberg's "shocking" story of a valet's seduction of his master's daughter is given greater impact by making the valet black (John Kani) and the girl white (Sandra Prinsloo) in this production by the Baxter Theatre of Capetown.
Royal Lyceum. Tickets: 031 225 5756. Opens Mon. Until Aug 31.

A DAY DOWN A GOLD MINE: Bill Paterson and George Wylie in a lunchtime show described as "a musical/sculptural dig at dubious pay dirt".
Assembly Rooms. Tickets: 031 226 2427. From tomorrow until Aug 31.

OPERA

CONNECTICUT GRAND OPERA: Edinburgh's last operatic lap, and three remaining performances of Gian-Carlo Menotti's *The Consul*, directed by the composer. Laurence Gilgour conducts the Scottish Chamber Orchestra. Performances tonight, Mon and Wed at 7.30pm.
Leith Theatre, Ferry Road, Edinburgh (031 225 5756).

JAZZ

29th STREET SAXOPHONE QUARTET: Led by Bobby Watson, whose alto saxophone lit up Art Blakey's Jazz Messengers a few years ago, this New York group benefits from the pioneering work of the World Saxophone Quartet and the Rova Quartet in what must once have seemed a very unpromising field.
Queen's Hall (031 668 2019/3456). Tonight.

GALLERIES

FRENCH CONNECTIONS: Impressive show, beautifully and imaginatively displayed, of some of the treasures in the museum's collection, and important loans.
Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street (031 225 7534). Until Feb 2.

COLOUR SINCE MATISSE: Anthology of the French love of colour, starting with Matisse and Bonnard, to young artists living today, such as Anne Marie Pecheur and Robert Combas.
Royal Scottish Academy, Princes Street (031 226 4001). Until Sept 21.

FRANCE IN THE NATIONAL GALLERIES OF SCOTLAND: In keeping with the Festival theme of the "Auld Alliance", a special display of French holdings, from the Renaissance portraiture of Jean Clouet to the Post-Impressionism of Van Gogh and Seurat.
National Galleries of Scotland, The Mound (031 556 8921).

FESTIVALINE
Latest information on Festival events: 031 225 8333

صكنا من الاصل

THE TIMES

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Saxon board withdraws Charterhouse backing

If you were to ask the board of Saxon Oil if it had difficulty in making decisions, it would answer: "Well, yes and no.". Four days after reaffirming its recomendations of Saxon's proposed merger with Charterhouse Petroleum, the board has now withdrawn its support.

At least yesterday's decision puts an end to the ludicrous situation whereby the Saxon board had not only recommended the Charterhouse merger to shareholders but also recommended the subsequent and mutually exclusive £120.6 million takeover bid from Enterprise Oil. However, it will leave shareholders wondering whether the board really has any idea about what is best for the company.

Mr John Heaney, Saxon's chief executive, believes he knows, and is as firmly behind the merger with Charterhouse as ever before. Once again his was the voice of dissent at yesterday's board meeting. Having refused to recommend the Enterprise bid he has now refused to withdraw his personal recommendations of the merger.

His reasons were spelt out in a remarkably even-handed fashion in a letter he sent to shareholders on Thursday. In the present City climate whereby takeovers seem to be decided by tactics rather than commercial logic, his remarks were pleasantly free of the snide sniping and barbed slanging of the opposition.

Mr Heaney pointed out in his letter that the principal reason why he voted against recommending the Enterprise bid was that the cash price per share of 540p was pitched at too great a discount

Ironically, this view is also shared by all the other Saxon board members, although it did not prevent a majority recommending the Enterprise bid. One must assume, without too much confidence, that this view is still held by the Saxon board.

The withdrawal of the board's recommendation of the Charterhouse merger is of course tactically well-timed, since it might act as a counter to Mr Heaney's letter to shareholders. However, tactics should not have entered into it. Nothing has changed since Tuesday when Enterprise made its formal takeover bid so the Saxon board should have withdrawn its recommendation of the merger then rather than prolong the uncertainty.

The tactics might still backfire. There is already considerable disquiet about the way in which this situation has been handled and many investors will now be unmoved by any missive from the Saxon board. Investors will hopefully make the decision on whether to get out of the sector through the Enterprise cash offer or hang on for long-term potential through the Charterhouse merger.

The merger is far from dead, and if another 15 per cent of the Saxon shareholders accept it before September 3 it will succeed. Even if it fails it does not follow that Enterprise will win control. There is still a distinct possibility of a grey knight emerging. Enterprising had been trying to pre-empt such an eventuality by buying Saxon shares in the market. It acquired 17 per cent before the market stopped that little game by shrewdly lifting the share price by a token 5p to 545p.

The market wants to give any other potential bidder every chance of putting in an appearance.

Where Bell's defence went wrong

The convincing victory of Guinness in its campaign to take over Arthur Bell had become inevitable as soon as the whisky firm raised the prospect of another suitor offering more and then had to admit that no such white knight existed. That effectively destroyed sympathetic support for its determination to remain independent and wholly Scottish.

In truth, however, Bell's defence went wrong long before that largely because the energtic autocratic style of Raymond Miquel, which contributed so much to the success of the whisky business he built up, was unsuited to the different world of takeover battles. One merchant bank was engaged over another, confusing advice and defence.

There were also false lines of argument. The idea that the takeover might be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission was simply unrealistic. Competition wold not be reduced - the reverse if anything. And the Government had made it clear that regional pride is no longer an issue for the Commission. Any hopes that Scottish institutions would remain loyal also flew against history. Most of all, Bell's recent profit growth was never sufficent evidene that the company was going from strenth to strength.

It is always sad to see a business built by one man snatched from his control. Perhaps, however, Mr Miquel was too strong within his company for anyone to tell him that it was bound to succumb to Guinness if the stout brewer was prepared to pay enough.

In the event, Guinness has paid a full, but by no means an extravagant price. The onus is now on Guinness's Ernest Saunders to prove to his shareholders (and to Mr Miquel) that the Guinness marketing team can make a better feat of turning Bell's into a true world brand than its present management.

Pub grub rules as dish of the day

Bad weather has undoubtedly hit beer sales; but social changes could be favouring brewers and their profitability. This emerges clearly from a report by Keynote, part of ICC group, on the state of catering, which it sees as becoming increasingly competitive, while showing signs of growth.

Pub food looks about to replace takeaway fast food as the trade's most dynamic sector, according to Keynote. Fast-food outlets are unlikely to continue the rapid expansion of recent years although there are areas, like the Midlands and Scotland, where there is plenty of slack.

Some of the bigger British fast-food operators seem to be looking overseas for expansion, Wimpy being an example with its recently opened Bombay operation, but Keynote expects the chains to improve profitability at home by moving more into higher quality restaurants.

There are other ways to keep the appeal going, of course. Mexican food seems to be coming in after salad bars. Quick-style health foods may follow.

It is not just fast food the pubs are biting into. The rate at which the brewers are building bar restaurants or theme pubs, which cost more than traditional bar parlours, indicates the scale of returns to be had. Some of these converted pubs are earning more from food than drink.

All this will put the squeeze on traditional restaurants. Keynote sees the formal restaurant, including those in hotels, having fundamentally to reassess menus, service and ambience..

If Keynote is right, it is the brewers with plenty of tied estate that stand to benefit the most; provided they jump on the food bandwagon.

Court orders Whitehall check on Raper company disposals

By Jeremy Warner

A High Court judge ordered a full Department of Trade and Industry investigation of Milbury, the quoted house-building group whose chairman, Mr Jim Raper, was once described by the Takeover Panel as unfit to be a director of a public company.

Mr Justice Scott said that the circumstances surrounding Milbury seemed to him to "cry out for some investigation such as will warrant the appointment of one or more inspectors".

The order was made at the request of Mr Christopher Whitmey, a management consultant and a private shareholder in Milbury.

He said he was bringing the action because he feared that Westminster Property Group and Milbury Homes South, Milbury's two principle assets, had been disposed of in a way that breached the provisions of the 1985 Companies Act and Milbury's listing agreement with the Stock Exchange.



Jim Raper: long battles with the City establishment

Mr Whitmey also said he was concerned at the circumstances surrounding the recent disposal of the 78.7 per cent stake in Milbury owned by Saint Piran, Mr Raper's main British company. The controlling stake was sold to Poco, a privately owned Manchester house-builder, for just £1.

Mr Whitmey's application was supported by the DTI.

This will be the second time that government-appointed inspectors have investigated the business affairs of Mr Raper, a financier who began his business career in the Far East and has had a number of long battles with the City establishment.

In 1981, government inspectors recommended that the Departure of Trade use its powers to wind up Saint Piran, but the Secretary of State, Mr John Biffen, said it would not be in the public interest to get involved in costly litigation.

Giving judgement, Mr Justice Scott said that Milbury had acquired Westminster Property in a deal worth £9.8 million in 1983, and that in circumstances "not entirely plain and which an investigation might clarify", it appeared that Westminster Property had since been sold for a little over £1 million.

"That would be a remarkable reduction in the value of the shares", he said. He described the circumstances under which Saint Piran's stake in Milbury was sold to Poco for £1 as unclear, "to put it at its most neutral".

Poco had been led to believe there would be few assets in Milbury when it took control, and that raised "the question of what has happened to Milbury assets in the period leading up to the acquisition", the judge said.

When Miss Elisabeth Gloster, counsel for the DTI, disclosed that Milbury might have to bear costs of up to £250,000 in connection with the investigation, Miss Sian Thomas, counsel for Poco, said Poco had supported the application for an investigation in the belief that the department would not try to recover costs.

Although Poco knew when it bought the Milbury shareholding that Westminster Property Group and Milbury Homes South were no longer subsidiaries of the company, it was surprised to find that Milbury still owed Saint Piran £1.7 million, she said.

Grand Met reshuffle threatens top team

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Eight senior executives and about six general managers are believed to be on their way out in a shake-up at Compass Services, the catering an cleaning and security services arm of Grand Metropolitan.

Among them is understood to be Mr Dick Turpin, who was managing director of Compass until recently when Mr Richard Dixon took his place. Mr Dixon was divisional personnel director for Contract Services, of which Compass is part.

Other members of the Compass board believed to be involved are Mr Tony Coles, operations director; Mr Peter Smale, marketing and development director; Mr Tony Ward-Lewis managing director of Compass vending; and Mr Martin Clayton, finance director.

Mrs Victoria Connolly, Compass personnel director and two regional directors, Mr Mike Taylor and Mr Kevin Birmingham, are also understood to be involved.

Grand Metropolitan last night confirmed that a "major reorganization" was taking place and said a detailed announcement would be made. The reorganization is aimed at improving performance, but Compass was regarded as "a good sound company".

The group's last annual report said that Compass made satisfactory progress during 1984, with higher trading profits than the year before. It is believed that profits were about £4.5 million and that profits of some £5.2 million were projected for this year.

When plans for increasing profits by cutting spending, including personnel costs, were put to senior Compass executives, there was believed to be considerable resistance.

Bond poised for Castlemaine victory after Allied sells stake

By Alison Eadie

Allied-Lyons the brewery group has accepted the increased offer from Bond Corporation for Castlemaine Tooheys, Australia's second largest brewer, making the success of the Bond bid look certain.

Bond Corporation, the master company of the Australian financier, Mr Alan Bond and owner of Swan Brewery, raised its bid to A$8.25 (£4.17) from A$7.50 cash a share, puting a value of A$1.2 billion (£600 million) on the company. Allied-Lyons will receive £151.8 million for its 24.9 per cent stake in Castlemaine.

Bond now controls 42.9 per cent of Castlemaine and has declared the bid unconditional.



Alan Bond: bid declared unconditional

Sir Derrick Holden-Brown, chairman of Allied-Lyons, said that acceptance of the bid was a straightforward commercial decision.

Allied's involvement in Castlemaine over the past decade, he said, had produced a profit of £70 million to £90 million.

Sir Derrick said he was pleased that Allied had managed to have the offer increased for all Castlemaine shareholders

Castlemaine has so far deferred a decision on the increased Bond offer and is still discussing a possible counter bid with a "major, unnamed company, which could lead to a takeover bid at a significantly higher price than the previous Bond offer."

A victory for Bond would give it 45 per cent of the Australian beer market, 1 per cent behind Carlton United Breweries, which makes Fosters Lager.

McCorquodale bid for Clay referred

The £12 million bid from McCorquodale, the book and security printer, for Richard Clay, Britain's leading book printer, has been referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. The bid has therefore lapsed, Our City Staff writes.

The referral has been made because the combined group would have more than 60 per cent of the British paperback market and, according to Clay, would print 80 per cent of Penguin's paperbacks in Britain. Mr Charles Birchall, chairman of Clay, said some customers were very concerned about a takeover.

Mr Nicholas Heroys, McCorquodale's finance director, said his company was surprised and disappointed. It considered the paperback market to be international and said that in the early 1980s 33 per cent of British printing went overseas.

The two would have a market share of 15 per cent. McCorquodale has not decided whether to present evidence to the Commission in favour of its bid.

IN BRIEF

Posgate pulls out

Mr Ian Posgate has withdrawn as proposed underwriter of a new Lloyd's syndicate after one of the two men behind the initiative quit.

Mr Iain McClelland, a director of the Lloyd's agency Craven Farmer, has withdrawn from the attempt to set up rescue syndicate 900 for Lloyd's "names" on PCW syndicates.

The withdrawal caused Mr Posgate to pull out but he said he would reconsider if asked to by a new group of people and if the proposed agency had a new board of directors. Mr Richard Graham, the other name behind the 900 rescue attempt, is staying with the initiative.

This week, Sir Michael Edwardes, former chairman of BL and Dunlop, withdrew from exploratory talks with the PCW names. He had been proposed as the new agency's chairman.

Shares move

Alfred McAlpine (formerly Marchwiel) announced yesterday that shares in its South African open-cast coal mining subsidiary had been suspended. News of a deal "which if concluded will have a material effect on the value" of the South African company is expected shortly.

Johnson leaps

Pretax profits for the six months to June 30 at Johnson Group Cleaners rose by 40.7 per cent to £3.8 million, after sales jumped from £31.2 million to £45.3 million. The dividend rises from 3.18p to 4.2p.

Tempus, page 21

Albany Life, the unit-linked life assurance company, owned by American General Corporation, is being bought by Metropolitan Life Insurance, the large US mutual life company. The terms of the deal were not disclosed. Albany has policyholders' funds of nearly £400 million.

Beazer buy

C. H. Beazer, the house-building and property company, has taken over Cramlington Investments, the owner of the town centre of Cramlington, Northumberland. Beazer, which already has a half share in Cramlington will give 1.1 million of its ordinary shares for the 50 per cent stake owned by North British Properties, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Life Assurance Society.

No decision on takeover says Evered

By Our City Staff

In an announcement requested by the Takeover Panel, Evered Holdings yesterday confirmed that it regards its stake in TI as a strategic investment and that no decision has been taken about a takeover.

The announcement said the Evered board "notes the recent Press comment in relation to its interest in the TI Group" and the directors "continue to review the options available".

Evered, an engineering company, has 20 per cent of TI, whose shares slipped 7p to 366p after yesterday's announcement.

Burton offer

The Burton Group has posted a document containing formal proposals to holders of Debenhams convertible stock offering Debenhams stockholders new Burton convertible loan stock, new Burton ordinary shares, or cash.

Burton's increased offers for ordinary and preference shares, which are unconditional, remain open for acceptance until further notice.

French GDP up

France's Gross Domestic Product rose by 0.6 per cent, based on 1970 prices, in the second quarter of this year.

Anglia loan

Anglia Building Society, the seventh largest building society in Britain, is arranging a £25 million loan through Butler Till, with Mitsui Bank as lead manager. The loan will be for six years.

SCM rejects Hanson

From Maxwell Newton, New York

SCM Corporation, the New York-based chemicals coatings and office product company has rejected a $60-a-share offer by Hanson Trust.

Mr Paul Elicker, SCM's chairman and chief executive, said: "We feel the shareholder has been well served by this management and can continue to be served well."

SCM's shares fo.e on Wednesday to $63 in over-the-counter trading. It has been expanding its titanium dioxide business for products used in tinting paint and paper. It had earnings of $4.20 a share in the year ended June 30.

It could achieve earnings of $7.50 to $8 a share by 1987, according to analysts.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● **SHERWOOD COMPUTER SERVICES:** Results for six months to June 30. (Figures in £000). Turnover 3,521 (2,945). Other operating income 40 (32). Operating profit 377 (275). Interest receivable 29 (6). Interest payable 67 (90). Profit before tax 339 (191). Tax 140 (78). Earnings per ordinary share 5.8p (3.8p).

● **PRESS TOOLS:** Final 1.75p, making 2.65p (2.15p) for the year to April 30. Figures in £000. Turnover, 3,607 (2,490). Pretax profit, 338 (138).

● **ATTWOODS:** The acquisition of County Sanitation is expected to be completed on August 27.

More company news, page 21

Alliance votes on merger with Leicester

By Richard Thomson

The merger between the Alliance and Leicester societies building was expected to be cleared last night with members of the Alliance ratifying the move.

On Thursday members of the Leicester society voted in favour of the merger. The move will create Britain's fourth largest society with assets of £6.5 billion.

The merger date was first set for July, but after delays it is now due to take place on October 1. Under present rules a majority of 75 per cent of investors is needed for a merger to go ahead.

Opposition to the merger has come from the staff of both societies who said that it would lead to the closure of some branches, staff reductions and fewer promotion opportunities.

The new society will be called the Alliance & Leicester.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

FT Ind Ord	991.4 (+4.2)
FT All Share	635.04 (+1.09)
FT Govt Securities	83.70 (+0.02)
FT-SE 100	1,313.5 (+3.8)
Bargains	21,823
Datastream USM	104.40 (+0.07)
New York	
Dow Jones	131.64 (−1.44)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	1269.41 (+42.64)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1669.98 (−1.89)
Amsterdam:	2173.3 (−0.9)
Sydney: AO	945.2 (−8.7)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1415 (−11.6)
Brussels:	
General	334.87 (−3.21)
Paris: CAC	218.4 (+1.0)
Zurich:	
SKA General	403.10 (unchanged)

GOLD

London fixing:
am $333.60pm-$334.85
close $333.00-$333.50 (£237.50-238.00)
New York:
Comex $333.25

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

Intervis Video	7.50p +1.50p
Comb Tech Corp	12p +1.50p
Metal Sciences	8p +1p
Audiotronic Hld	4.30p +0.50p
Acorn Computer	10p +1p
Sound Diffusion	62p +6p
Vosper	244p +22p
Mackay Hugh	80p +7p
Newmark Louis	213p +18p
B.B.A. Group	117p +9p
Memcom Intl	205p +15p
Cantors	82p +6p
Parkdale Hldgs	33p +2p
Miller Stanley	18p +1p
Biochanics	19p +1p
Kean & Scott Hdgs	39p +2p
Harvey & Thompson	138p +7p
Quest Automation	40p +2p
Markheath	40p +2p
Petrocon Group	145p +7p
Sims Cater Btch	166p +6p

FALLS:

Ldn & Os Frghtrs	2p −0.25p
Allied Textile	403p −50p
Ramco Oil Servs	46p −5p
Baynes Charles	35p −3p
Weeks Associates	16p −1p

CURRENCIES

London:
£: $1.3987 (−0.0086)
£: DM 3.8553 (−0.0044)
£: SwFr 3.1574 (−0.0009)
£: FFr 11.7754 (−0.0181)
£: Yen 330.86 (−0.2)
£ Index: 82.2 (−0.2)

New York:
£: $1.4015
$: DM 2.7522
$ Index: 135.7 (+0.4)
ECU £0.575575
SDR £0.740385

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 11½%
3-month Interbank 11⅛–11⅛%
3-month eligible bills 11⅜–11½%
buying rate 11⅜–11⅛%

US:
Prime Rate 9.50%
Federal Funds 7⅜
3-month Treasury Bills 7.04–7.02%
Long bond 101²⁷/₃₂(102¹/₃₂)

A New Private Client Service From Foreign & Colonial Hinchliffe Limited

Foreign & Colonial Management and **JS Hinchliffe & Co.** are pleased to announce their joint venture for the management of private client portfolios.

Foreign & Colonial has been managing money since 1868 and today has responsibility for £1,300 million.

Managing a wide range of unit trusts and investment trusts it has consistently provided high returns and reliable performance.

Foreign & Colonial is dedicated to investment excellence linked to client service and it believes that the Hinchliffe administrative service is the best in its field for private clients.

As an independent manager of money Foreign & Colonial is committed solely to client performance.

A range of discretionary investment services is available to clients who have £10,000 or more to invest.

For further information and advice please contact:

Foreign & Colonial Hinchliffe Limited

Audley Twiston Davies
1 Laurence Pountney Hill
London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680

Robin Drummond
14 North Park Road
Harrogate HG1 5PG
0423-60301

Foreign&Colonial
MANAGEMENT GROUP

THE TIMES Portfolio

From your Portfolio card check your eight share price movements. Add them up to give you your overall total. Check this against the daily dividend figure published on this page.

If it matches you have won outright or a share of the total daily prize money stated. If you are a winner follow the claim procedure on the back of your card.

You must always have your card available when claiming.

No.	Company	Your gain or loss
	INDUSTRIALS A-D	
1	Beatson Clarke	
2	Barham	
3	Cartwright (R)	
4	Carclo Eng	
5	Boots	
6	Ash & Lacey	
7	Cook (Wm)	
8	Diploma	
9	Assoc Heat	
10	Advest	
	INDUSTRIALS E-K	
11	Hawker Siddeley	
12	Kennedy Smale	
13	Hall (M)	
14	Evode	
15	Hawley	
16	Hutchison Whampoa	
17	Hanson	
18	Expamet Int	
19	Johnson Cleaners	
20	Extel	
	INDUSTRIALS L-R	
21	Lon Midland	
22	Nuttall (D)	
23	Lilleshall	
24	Newman-Tonks	
25	Pearson	
26	Portals	
27	Reuters	
28	Pilkington	
29	Ropner	
30	Magnolia	
	FOODS	
31	Carrs Milling	
32	Rowntree Mac	
33	Lon (Wm)	
34	Matthews (Bernard)	
35	Watson & Philip	
36	Hillsdown Hldgs	
37	Tate & Lyle	
38	Cullens	
39	Glass Glover	
40	Dee	

© Times Newspapers Limited Your Daily Total

Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £20 000 in today's newspaper.

MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Shares strengthen

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, Aug 12. Dealings End, Aug 30. § Contango Day, Sept 2. Settlement Day, Sept 9.
§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.

THE TIMES Portfolio

DAILY DIVIDEND £2,000 Claims required for +39 points

WEEKLY DIVIDEND £20,000 Claims required for +180 points

BUILDING AND ROADS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
202	178	Aberdeen Constr	182	●	10.4	5.7	11.4
288	238	Amec	256		15.7	6.1	10.1
111	88	Arnolds	91		6.0	6.6	9.2
288	238	Ashtead	263		5.09	4.9	38.2
288	238	BPB Industries	283		13.0	3.9	11.3
268	204	Baggeridge Brick	268		9.5	3.5	14.4
95	64	Barratt Devs	95	+2	18.2	11.3	6.4
34	19	Bailey(Ben) Constr	29		2.0	4.0	4.0
136	113	Bellway	128		10.0	7.8	8.5
91	67	Benford Concrete	88		5.4	7.9	26.4
61	51	Bett Bros	61		4.4	7.0	9.4
560	545	Blockleys	560	+10	38.0	3.8	11.6
361	486	Blue Circle	334	-3	33.0	5.7	10.2
202	174	Breedon&Cloud Hill	204		12.7	14.4	12.2
78	55	Brickhouse Dudley	77		4.9	6.4	19.1
80	55	Br Dredging	66		3.6	5.3	15.2
13	11	Brown&Jackson	16				
93	65	Brownlee	68		5.7	8.4	7.6
64	51	Bryant	64		4.4	6.1	8.9
30	20	Burnett & Hallam	30		12.5		
155	145	Calledonian Rdstn	150	●	4.4	3.0	25.0
50	50	Cement-Roadstone	50		1.0	1.3	
52	42	Condor Grp	51		2.1	3.3	28.5
338	258	Costain	258	+2	21.4	4.7	9.7
204	204	Countryside	204		7.3	3.1	7.0
94	84	Crouch (Derek)	92		7.7	8.4	28.1
		Crouch Group					
68	60	Dew (George)	72	●	8.1	11.3	5.7
47	45	Douglas (Rlfd)	47		2.5e	5.3	33.8
66	59	Erch	64		4.4	7.1	9.9
113	93	Fab	93		4.1	4.5	11.8
93	79	Do 'A'	93		4.1	4.5	11.8
79	70	Finlan (John)	79		5.0	7.5	38.5
188	117	French Kier	184		8.8	4.5	10.1
68	64	Galliford	64		5.1	7.3	13.0
108	103	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	105		2.3	2.2	30.8
236	204	Gleeson (A.J)	236		9.1	3.8	11.2
111	88	HAT	104		5.3	5.1	10.8
43	24	Halcat Bar	43				
33	24	Hamden-Stuart	33		2.2		8.7
152	114	Haywood Williams	148		8.98	6.8	8.7
286	281	Higgs & Hill	286	+1	17.6	4.8	10.5
297	195	IDE	297		10.7	3.7	15.8
168	135	Ibstock Johnsen	168		5.7	6.5	10.1
268	260	Jarvis (J) & Sons	265		25.0	6.5	10.1
199	199	Laing (J)	265		8.8	3.8	9.1
196	196	Do 'A'	194		8.8	3.8	9.1
69	67	Lawrence (Walter)	69		4.8	6.1	5.9
718	557	Lilley (F.C)	718		52.5	7.5	10.4
718	557	Lovell (Y.J)	244		8.8	3.6	12.3
36	36	Magnet & South	36		2.7	4.4	14.9
232	183	Mansions	183		15.0	8.5	9.7
89	89	Marshalls (Halifax)	153		1.8	2.8	18.7
116	92	May & Hassell	92		5.4	6.9	8.5
215	215	McAlpine (alfred)	250	+5	15.1	6.5	8.6
148	112	Meyer Int	145		7.5	5.2	8.0
20	14	Miller (Stanley)	18				
133	105	Monk (A)	124		9.3	7.5	10.7
198	198	Newcastle Exp	198		17.0	8.6	10.7
660	660	Newarthill	760	+5	157	21	14.0
163	143	Nottingham Brick	145		7.9	5.4	13.5
800	800	Pearce (CH) Sons	825		9.3	1.5	12.4
112	98	Pennington	112				
150	100	Phoenix Timber	102		4.3	4.2	3.8
320	180	Pochins	320		17.0	7.7	4.9
318	242	RMC	318		18.6	4.6	9.2
218	205	Redland	212		15.0	4.8	11.3
118	93	Roberts Adlard	116		8.8	7.4	9.8
39	32	Rowlinson Secs	36		0.9	2.8	6.8
155	145	Ruberoid	155		11.1	6.8	8.8
140	115	Rugby Cement	130		8.9	6.8	10.4
162	132	SGB	150		9.8	6.0	10.7
		Sharpe & Fisher			3.2	3.6	17.8
70	55	Smart (J)	64		3.09	6.7	11.8
364	327	Tarmac	356		11.4	3.2	17.8
478	348	Taylor Woodrow	456		21.4	4.7	12.4
146	110	Tilbury Group	139		6.9	5.7	10.3
288	225	Travis & Arnold	288		11.3	4.0	12.7
107	97	Trent	100		1.5	1.5	12.0
243	234	Tyrrill	234		10.0	4.3	43.1
172	135	Wimpey	166		5.0	3.0	7.2
191	128	Ward	191		9.4	4.9	10.2
80	63	Warrington (T)	74		5.7	7.7	8.5
230	173	Watts Blake	210	●	5.8	2.8	18.8
79	66	Watson Bros	79		1.4	1.9	15.0
32	28	Wiggins	32				
246	172	Wilson (Connolly)	246		4.3	1.7	12.1
138	97	Wimpey (George)	136		4.6	3.4	12.9

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
29p	23½p	AKZO N/V Bearer	23½p		400	14.1	
262	228	Allied Colloids	262	●	9.3e	2.3	14.7
360	288	Amersham	340	+2	8.6	2.5	16.5
165	154	Anchor Chemical	175		6.1	3.4	9.5
520	514	Bayer DM50	537	+1	708	12.3	
153	100	Blagden	121	+5	10.3	8.2	8.3
131	104	Brent Chems	121	●	5.0	4.1	18.0
13	13	Br Benzol	13				
114	78	Br Tar Products	108		5.0	4.7	15.8
107	79	Canning (W)	88		5.0	5.7	12.2
243	224	Coalite	234		9.2	3.9	12.2
168	134	Coates Bros	141		6.6	4.7	9.5
113	78	Do 'A'	125		6.6	5.3	9.8
19½p	17½p	Cory (Horace)	17½p				
151	115	Crode	129		10.0	7.8	13.4
108	82	Do Dfd	88				
259	174	Ellis & Everard	178		9.3	5.2	14.1
205	176	Fisher-Hanway	192		11.7	6.1	7.5
105	86	Halstead (James)	95		5.4	5.6	9.4
488	358	Hickson	358		21.4	6.0	8.2
31	31	Hoechst DM50	535				
594	548	Imp Chems Ind	548	●	44.3	8.6	6.4
333	278	Laporte	333	●	9.4	2.9	16.4
141	98	Leigh	91	●	4.3	4.7	14.4
168	148	Pyrene	91	●	9.1	1.8	17.3
62	53	Rosebrook Hldgs	57				
163	126	Rentokil	143		3.2	2.2	16.3
135	94	SINA BPD	127				
135	94	Stewart Plastic	127		3.6	3.2	16.5
325	192	Wolstenchrme Rnk	285		11.1	3.6	13.2
67	56	Yorkshire Chem	66		2.5e	3.8	11.0

CINEMAS AND TV

164	126	Anglia TV 'A'	160		11.4	7.1	11.5
34	28	Grampian	34		2.4	6.9	6.1
146	118	HTV N/V	143		10.6	9.8	7.2
253	218	LWT Hldgs	253		20.6	7.7	
156	126	Scot TV 'A'	154		12.6	8.2	6.3
143	116	TVS N/V	143		8.5	6.0	8.3
32	23	TSW	30		2.2	7.5	7.1

DRAPERY AND STORES

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
63	50½	Aquascutum 'A'	56		3.2	5.4	22.3
114	98	Beattie (James) 'A'	79		3.0	3.8	12.8
114	98	Bentalls	114		3.8	3.8	23.2
96	86	Binns	96		3.4	3.6	13.2
319	235	Br Home Stores	286		9.6	3.3	15.8
306	235	Brown (N)	286		12.5	4.3	20.9
488	388	Burton	488		12.1	2.4	16.4
31	31	Card (A) &Sons	31				
83	63	Carson 'A'	63		2.9	4.3	5.7
98	83	Casket (S)	98		3.7	7.5	7.2
360	326	Church	360		14.2	3.9	17.7
159	97	Combined English	152		7.9	4.6	21.2
138	95	Courts (Furn) 'A'	134		6.7	5.0	7.7
340½p	166½p	Debenhams	332		12.3	3.7	11.9
97	87	Dewhirst (J)	87		4.1	4.7	28.6
777	624	Dixons	774	●	8.6	1.1	21.1
398	271	Dunhill	331	●	5.4	1.6	16.7
515	390	Ellis & Goldswin	515		10.0	1.9	10.0
515	390	Elys (Wimbledon)	515	-10	12.9	2.5	28.4
134	92	Empire Stores	126		3.6	2.8	21.9
208	139	Etam	208		4.3	2.2	27.4
43	27	Executive Clothes	43				
97	72	Fine Art Dev	94		4.8	4.9	18.8
161	161	Ford (Martin)	161		6.1	6.2	
149	108	Formation	149		6.6	4.4	6.5
378	378	Freemans	378	●	7.9	2.8	16.0
172	135	Gaiter (AJ)	172		7.4	4.3	7.4
191	128	Ward	191		9.4	4.9	10.2
80	63	Warrington (T)	74		5.7	7.7	8.5
230	173	Watts Blake	210	●	5.8	2.8	18.8
79	66	Watson Bros	79		1.4	1.9	15.0
32	28	Wiggins	32				
246	172	Wilson (Connolly)	246		4.3	1.7	12.1
138	97	Wimpey (George)	136		4.6	3.4	12.9

FINANCE AND LAND

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
334	210	Abingworth	213	●	1.8	0.8	
183	138	Aitken Hume	168	-3	10.9	9.5	8.4
183	138	Alexanders	178		10.9	7.4	4.4
151	70	Barclay Tech	85				
29½p	19½p	Camellia	£33½		14.3	6.7	
216	156	Candover	176		2.9	1.6	52.2
150	110	Centaway	116				
168	130	Hambro	158		10.0	7.3	22.2
153	91	Ivory & Sime	126	+1	4.6	3.7	22.0
116	96	Mercantile	115		7.1	6.1	8.6
180	123	Park Place	165		7.5	4.5	50.6

Financial trusts, page 21

FOODS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
37	18	Alpine Drinks	21		2.6	12.2	
333	283	Ampell	330		17.0	5.7	20.9
264	214	AB Food	226	+2	7.7	3.4	10.8
168	133	Assoc Dairies	160		3.9	2.5	20.7
288	240	Assoc Fisheries	265		3.3	4.1	14.1
362	276	Avana	276	+23	16.1	5.7	18.0
353	195	Banks (Sidney C)	236		14.3	6.0	7.9
83	65	Barker & Dobson	65p		0.4	3.8	13.3
243	185	Barr (AG)	238		10.7	4.7	7.8
148	110	Bejam Foods	138		3.0	2.2	15.2
168	98	Besleys	163		3.0	2.9	17.2
148	98	Bejam	163	-5	5.4	2.9	27.0
98	68	Bickford Conf	73		7.2	9.8	20.7
348	348	Br Relishing (BVI)	348		21.4	6.1	12.4
146	110	Cadbury-Schwepp	146	+1	6.4	5.8	9.8
288	225	Cerra Rolling	111	+2	7.9	7.1	8.0
130	100	Clifford Dairies	100		9.1	5.8	9.9
115		Do 'A'	130				
225	116	Cullens	225				
188		Dee	188	+4	10.4	8.7	10.8
118	106	Fisher(Herbert)	118		2.1	1.8	28.6
133	113	Fitch Lovell	133		13.9	8.2	13.0
243	241	Glass Glover	243	+4	4.9e	2.0	20.4
72	72	Global Go	74		3.2	4.3	14.1
548	548	Hazlewood Foods	548	+10	11.4	2.1	22.3
378	320	Hillards	378		8.3	2.2	15.5
173	143	Hillsdown Hldgs	173	+2			20.6
67	57	Home Farm	67		4.6	6.1	5.9
287	269	Iceland Frozen	287				29.4
224	170	Kwik Save	224		6.0	2.7	18.8
95	95	Lewis (Jos J)	95		4.1	4.3	10.8
47	47	Low (Geo)	47		4.3	7.5	39.9
288	254	Low (Wm)	288	●	17.1	2.8	15.1
254	254	Matthews (Bernard)	338		8.3	2.5	18.9
230	195	Maynards	195		10.5	5.0	24.4
78½p	54p	Meat Trade Supp	62		7.5	9.7	12.2
94	94	Morrison (W)	142		1.8	1.1	21.4
116	116	Needlers	116		7.1	6.4	8.4
175	115	Nthcte Ld (Lon) (Wmbl)	115	-10	10.3	8.2	8.2
175	115	Normans	72½p		2.6	3.5	13.5
288	234	Nthn Foods	288	●	10.4	3.9	14.3
178	138	Nurdin & Peacock	178		4.8	3.1	14.6
130	100	Pauls Malt	122	●	5.1	4.2	12.5
153	153	RHM	153		8.6	4.3	12.2
348	348	Rowntree Mac	338		15.7	4.6	11.0
120	120	Salisbury (J)	120		6.8	5.8	21.7
139	139	Sainsbury (Chas)	139		4.1	3.0	
97	97	Somportex	97		1.4	5.3	16.6
79	79	Thorntons	79		2.8	3.5	13.5
488	488	Unigate	488	+2	28.6	6.1	9.3
191	149	Utd Biscuits	191		11.7	6.1	12.7
164	164	Utd Scientific	164		10.7	5.8	10.2
106	90	Watson & Philip	105	+1	7.4	7.1	8.5

HOTELS AND CATERERS

338	275	Grand Met	321	●	13.8	4.2	10.6
288	223	Kennedy Brookes	288		2.1	0.8	11.8
403	348	Lon Park Hotels	386	+1	14.3	3.7	10.3
96	77	Mount Charlotte	93		1.8	2.0	17.0
58	49	Prince Of Wl Hotels	49	-1	2.1	3.1	15.4
415	353	Queens Moat	55½	-1	2.0	3.7	15.4
78	29	Savoy Hotels 'A'	361		3.6	1.0	17.8
181	119	Stakis	85		1.5	2.6	18.0
		Trusthouse Forte	136	●	7.0	5.1	20.3

INDUSTRIALS A – D

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
156	118	AAH	145		9.7	5.7	11.5
257	182	AGB Research	227	●	9.3	4.1	19.9
128	93	AIM	94	●	8.2	8.7	10.8
281	218	APV	268	●	16.1	6.0	29.8
187	138	Aaronson	178	●	8.0	4.5	12.9
187	138	Advest	178	●	8.7	5.5	12.9
143	108	Alexandra W'wear	108	+2	6.4	4.1	12.2
318	318	Amber Ind	318		6.8	2.1	27.4
265	180	Applied Comp Tech	265	+22	21	7.7	9.9
34	34	Arenson	34				7.7
177	177	Armour	177½		9.9	5.5	11.1
121	121	Ash & Lacey	121	+2	26.8	8.4	10.5
31	31	Ashley	31				18.6
212	212	Ass Br Eng 8%	212	+5			
378	353	Assd Heat	378	+5	15.7	4.2	18.3
		Assoc Telecoms			5.3		
395	375	Aurora	375	+5		1.3	4.1
288	218	Avon Rubber	288		7.4	2.6	7.2
53	53	Avonside Metal	53		2.1	4.0	14.3
116	116	BBA	116		5.4	4.7	18.9
355	276	BET Dfd	355		20.0e	7.1	11.3
67	59	BETEC	72		2.1	3.0	9.3
288	248	BOC	280		12.0	4.1	14.4
280	280	BPB	280		13.0	4.6	10.0
138	138	Babcock	138		11.4	8.3	7.7
155	155	Bailey (CH)	155				16.2
288	288	Baird (Wm)	288		25.0	8.8	8.8
96	96	Baker Perkins	96		7.9e	8.2	8.5
114	114	Banro Ind	114		7.9e	6.4	14.2
115	115	Barlocan	115				
225	225	Barlow	225				
188	188	Barlow Rand	188				28.8
319	319	Barlow Hepburn	319		3.1	8.2	11.8
130	130	Barton Transport	130		22.9e	10.6	2.8
81	81	Baynes (Charles)	81		3.3	4.0	9.6
150	98	Beecham Grp	150		7.9	3.8	7.5
81	81	Beresford	81		4.4	5.4	7.2
343	343	Beecham	343	+2	15.1	4.7	14.5
104	104	Belgrave	104		9.0	5.8	7.2
88	88	Better Cosmetics					
72	72	Bentor	72		1.8	6.3	13.8
78	78	Berisfords	78		7.5	9.6	8.8
548	548	Bestobell	548		27.0	4.9	9.8
116	116	Bibby (J)	116		6.0	5.2	8.8
170	170	Bickle	170		8.5	5.0	8.2
154	154	Bilton (J)	154		4.8	3.1	8.2
224	224	Bimed Qualcast	224½p		4.8	5.8	8.8
288	288	Birmingham Mint	288		16.4	7.1	11.9
80	80	Black Arrow	80		8.0	7.1	7.1
288	288	Black (Peter)	288		23	1.0	21.2
171	171	Blackwood Hodge	171		10.0	5.8	12.2
112	112	Blundell-Perm	112		5.1	4.2	12.5
288	288	Bodycote	288		16.4	5.1	8.8
160	160	Boots	160		8.9	4.4	13.9
282	214	Boulton (Wm)	282		12.1	3.9	11.4
310	310	Bowater	310				
219½p	219½p	Bowater Inc	219½p		13.6	10.5	
114	114	Braithwaite Eng	114		11.1	3.7	18.4
377	377	Brammer	377		2.6	5.6	
80	48	Brenner	80				
387	387	Bridgeman	387		8.7	4.8	9.5
41	41	Bridgend Process	41		8.6	4.8	14.9
110	110	Brodin	110		8.7	4.4	13.5
134	134	Brigham-Guernsy	134		8.6	4.8	9.4
140	140	Br Bldg & Eng Appl	140		3.6	2.6	20.7
156	156	Br Steel	156		8.6	5.5	9.4
77	77	Br Syphon	77		2.1	1.7	24.1
153	153	Br Vita	153		8.6	5.5	6.6
373	373	Broken Hill	385				
38	24	Brookgrove Inds	38		1.4	4.8	6.3
17	17	Brown Eng	17		0.7	4.2	
133	133	Brook St Bureau	133		3.7	4.3	18.5
22	22	Brooke Tool	22		1.0	4.5	7.3
142	142	Brown & Tawse	142		9.3	6.5	9.2
78	78	Brown (John)	78				
555	555	Brntpnte (Mus)	555				
192	192	Bullough	192	●	10.1b	5.3	10.5
110	110	Burgess	110		2.8b	2.6	12.0
68½p	68½p	Burns-Anderson	68½p		1.5e	3.5	15.2
43	43	Carnford Eng	43				7.3
275	275	Carr O'Sass Pack	275				
32	32	Caparo Ind	32		2.4	7.4	13.1
44	44	Capper Ind	44				
288	288	Cardo Eng	288		17.1	9.6	8.2
178	178	Cartwright (R)	178		9.3	5.5	10.3
28	28	Catenhill	28		1.4	5.5	12.8
177	177	Central & Sheer	177				12.8
12½p	12½p	Centraway Ind	12½p		0.1	1.1	24.0
80	80	Ch Ind	80		5.0	7.8	9.4
71½p	71½p	Chamberlain Ph	71½p		5.5	7.7	9.2
84	84	Chamberlin & Hill	84		5.8	7.8	8.4
503	503	Charter Cons	503		18.4	3.6	15.3
164	164	Chemring	164		10.4	6.3	13.1
43	43	Christie Tyler	43		1.9	4.3	12.5
213	213	Christie Int	213		7.9	3.7	11.1
36	31	Christy Hunt	36				

INDUSTRIALS A – D

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
118	73	Clarke (Clement)	118		6.0	5.3	19.3
146	146	Clayton Son	146		6.4	4.5	16.3
446	446	Cohen (A)	446		13.4	3.4	6.7
208	208	Combined Tech	208				
24	24	Concentric	24		5.1	6.6	11.1
84	84	Cont Dissmnary	84		2.1	2.5	18.4
184	184	Cook (Wm)	184		9.0	4.9	12.4
185	185	Cookson	185		14	6.7	36.2
185	185	Cope Allman	185		8.2	4.7	22.1
118	118	Coppet (E)	118		5.6	4.8	8.8
84	84	Corah	84		4.6	10.0	4.9
185	185	Courtney Pope	185		10.0	5.7	
110	110	Craven Dn Groot	110		5.0	4.5	9.1
110	110	Crest Nicholson	110		5.0	4.5	10.1
185	185	Crown House	185		10.0	5.4	11.5
116	116	Cumbrian 3½%	116		5.3	4.6	
375	375	DRCS	375		4.9e	1.1	
216	216	Delgety	216		15.7	7.3	10.8
175	175	Delta	175		8.2	4.7	
115	115	Dentsply Int	115		5.0	4.3	11.6
152	152	Derbyshire Stamping	152		6.0	3.9	7.4
375	375	Dewhurst	375		17.0	4.5	10.1
152	152	Diamond Stylus	152		6.0	3.9	7.4
104	104	Dimplex Heat	104		2.8	2.7	16.4
145	145	Diploma	145		5.4	3.7	14.6
288	288	Dobson Park	288		13.0	4.5	11.1
170	170	Dom	170		10.0	5.9	7.8
170	170	Dominion Int	170		14.3	10.2	12.5
175	175	Duley Bhumsaatic	175		17.5	7.5	8.7
1350	1350	Dunlop	1350		44	3.3	8.4
96	96	Dupont	96		5.4	5.6	8.5
73	73	Dyson (JS,J)	73		2.5	3.4	8.2
78	64	Do 'A'	78		2.5	3.2	8.2

E – K

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div. pence	Yld %	P/E
388	388	Eastern Prod

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The Foreign exchange market ended the week on a quiet note.

With a long holiday weekend in front of them, few dealers were anxious to open new positions, and this made for very thin and subdued trading.

Sterling, which traded within a narrow band throughout, finished the session 86 points lower at 1.3987.

Against leading continentals, the pound was hardly tested, finishing at DM3.8565 (3.8597).

In London, the sparse trading conditions soon trimmed the dollar's best gains leaving it well below best levels.

Worries about the US economic slowdown remained a paramount "bearish" influence for the dollar.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range August 23	Market rates close August 23	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.3970–1.4080	$1.3980–1.3995	0.50–0.47c prem	1.23–1.18c prem
Montreal	$1.8834–1.8993	$1.8934–1.8975	0.51–0.42c prem	1.20–1.05c prem
Amsterdam	4.3360–4.3556fl	4.3360–4.3449fl	2½–2¼c prem	6¾–6¼c prem
Brussels	77.85–79.50f	77.85–78.01f	19–12c prem	25–21c prem
Copenhagen	13.9620–14.0410k	13.9620–13.9910k	4¼–3¾ore prem	9¾–8¾ore prem
Dublin	1.2407–1.2438p	1.2407–1.2417p	25–10p prem	48–27p prem
Frankfurt	3.8522–3.8682m	3.8522–3.8584m	2¼–2¼pf prem	6¼–6¼pf prem
Lisbon	228.65–232.44e	228.85–231.70e	20–380e disc	42¾–1485e disc
Madrid	223.70–226.25p	226.70–227.35p	30–130p disc	185–365p disc
Milan	2578.35–2600.01lr	2578.35–2588.72lr	3 prem–2lr disc	7–14lr disc
Oslo	11.4130–11.4800k	11.41.30–11.4393k	par–¼ore disc	2¼–3¼ore disc
Paris	11.7621–11.8207f	11.7621–11.7887f	1¼–1c prem	¼ prem–1¼c disc
Stockholm	11.5005–11.5874k	11.5005–11.5268k	3¼–3 ore disc	9¾–10¼ore disc
Tokyo	330.58–331.81y	330.58–331.15y	1¼–1¼y prem	4¾–4y prem
Vienna	27.03–27.18sch	27.03–27.10sch	16¼–14½gro prem	43¾–39gro prem
Zurich	3.1538–3.1707f	3.1536–3.1612f	2¼–1¾c prem	5¼–5¼c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down 0.02 at 82.2 (day's range 81.9).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral	1.119–1.1214
Australia dollar	1.9916–1.9956
Bahrain dinar	0.5253–0.5293
Brazil cruzeiro	.9541.00–9576.00
Cyprus pound	0.7930–0.8080
Finland marka	8.2260–8.2660
Greece drachma	182.25–184.25
Hong Kong dollar	10.9390–10.9510
India rupee	16.56–16.75
Iraq dinar	n.a
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.4200–0.4240
Malaysia dollar	3.4529–3.4583
Mexico peso	464–480
New Zealand dollar	2.6044–2.6136
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.0870–5.1270
Singapore dollar	3.1317–3.1383
South Africa rand	3.4400–3.4800
United Arab Emirates dirham	5.1170–5.1570

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.1300–1.1315
Singapore	2.2330–2.2360
Malaysia	2.4620–2.4640
Australia	0.7032–0.7042
Canada	1.3533–1.3543
Sweden	8.2250–8.2350
Norway	8.1600–8.1700
Denmark	9.9835–9.9925
West Germany	2.7320–2.7540
Switzerland	2.3550–2.2580
Netherlands	3.0925–3.0975
France	8.3978–8.4075
Japan	226.20–226.35
Italy	1843.0–1847.00
Belgium(Comm)	55.75–55.85
Hong Kong	10.9390–10.9510
Portugal	165–166
Spain	162.30–162.60
Austria	19.33–19.38

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Expensive overnight money with a feedback into higher period rates remained the dominant feature of the markets.

From opening 12½–¼ per cent, day to day money soon firmed to 12¾–½ per cent. Near the close it got down to 11¼–10½ per cent, then ended around 11½ per cent.

The periods found business concentrated on the maturities out to three months. Coming off the top at the end of the day most were ⅛ firmer on balance, and just occasionally ⅛.

The key three months interbank term deposit had been 11⅛–⅜ per cent, for much of the session, before closing on 11⅝–½ per cent.

Sterling certificates of deposit traders reported very low volume. Local authorities were not doing much.

Eurodollar deposits tended a little firmer in quiet trading, influenced by an upturn in Fed funds from their downward trend of the previous few days.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 11½
Finance House 12½

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 12⅛ Low 11
Week fixed: 12-11⅛

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 months 11⅛; 3 months 11
Selling: 2 months 11; 3 months 10⅞

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 month 11⅝–11⅜; 2 months 11⅜–11⅛
3 months 11⅛–10⅞; 6 months 10⅞–10⅝

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 month 12; 2 months 11⅝
3 months 11⅜; 6 months 11⅛

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 12–11⅞ close 11⅞
1 week 12–11⅞; 6 months 11⅛–11⅛
1 month 11⅞–11⅝; 9 months 11⅛–11
3 months 11⅛–11; 12 months 11⅛–10⅞

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 12; 7 days 12
1 month 11⅞; 3 months 11⅝
6 months 11⅜; 12 months 11⅛

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 month 12⅛–12; 2 months 12-11½
3 months 11⅞–11⅝; 6 months 11⅝–11⅜
9 months 11⅜–11⅛; 12 months 11⅛–11

Sterling CDs (%)
1 month 11⅝–11½; 3 months 11⅜–11⅛
6 months 10⅞–10⅝; 12 months 10½–10⅜

Dollar CDs (%)
1 month 7 80-7 70; 3 months 7 85-7 75
6 months 8 00-7 90; 12 months 8 40-8 30

TREASURY BILL TENDER

Applications: £476.180m allotted £100m
Bids at £97.255%: received 34%
Last week: £97.275%: received 12%
Average rate: £11 0011%: Last week: £10.8688%
Next week: £100m: replace £100m

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar	call	1 month	7–7⅛
7 days	7⅛–7¼	6 months	8⅛–8
Deutschmark	call	1 month	3¾–3½
7 days	4–3¾	6 months	4⅛–4
French Franc	call	1 month	10⅝–10½
7 days	9–8¾	6 months	12⅛–11¾
Swiss Franc	call	1 month	4¼–4
7 days	4–3¾	6 months	4¼–4
Yen	call	1 month	6–5⅞
7 days	6–5⅞	6 months	6–5⅞

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin) $337.50-339.00 (£240.75-242.00)
Sovereigns* (new) $78.50-79.50 (£56.00-56.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV
Average reference rate for interest period 3 July 1985 to 6 August 1985, inclusive: 11.989 per cent

WALL STREET

New York (Reuter) – The stock market moved low in early trading yesterday continuing Thursday's downturn.

The Dow Jones industrial average slipped 1.57 points to 1,316.53 and declines led advances by five-to-three on slow pre-weekend turnover of 7.05 million shares.

Occidental Petroleum led the actives, up ⅛ to 31⅞. Transway International was up 2⅛ to 45.

Nortek Inc said it plans a tender offer for shares it does not already own at $45 per share. Previously, Nortek said it planned an offer of $40 per share. Nortek was down ⅛ to 16⅛.

IBM was up ¼ to 126⅞.

	Aug 22	Aug 21		Aug 22	Aug 21		Aug 22	Aug 21
AMF Inc	13⅞	13⅞	Exxon Corp	50¼	51¼	Pfizer	48⅛	49⅝
AMR	48⅛	48¼	Fed Dept Stores	56½	57¾	Phelps Dodge	20⅝	21⅛
Allied Corp	41⅛	42⅛	Firestone	18⅞	19⅛	Philip Morris	81⅛	82½
Allied Stores	56¾	56½	Fst Chicago	23½	23⅞	Phillips Petrol	12¼	12½
Allis Chalmers	4⅛	4⅛	Fst Intrst Bncp	49¼	50	Polaroid	31⅛	31⅞
Alcoa	34⅝	34½	Fst Penn Corp	6½	6⅝	PPG Ind	44	44½
Amax Inc	14⅛	15⅛	Ford	43¼	44⅛	Procter Gamble	57⅛	59⅛
Amerada Hess	27½	27⅝	GAF Corp	32⅜	32⅞	Pub Ser El & Gas	30⅝	30⅝
Am Brands	59⅝	60⅛	GTE Corp	39½	39⅝	Raytheon	49⅝	50⅛
Am Broadcast	114⅛	114⅞	Gen Corp	45	44⅞	RCA Corp	43½	43⅝
Am Can	56⅝	58½	Gen Dynamics	79½	80	Reynolds Ind	26⅛	26⅝
Am Cyanamid	55	56	Gen Electric	60⅝	61½	Reynolds Metal	35½	35¾
Am Elec Power	21½	21⅝	Gen Foods	76⅝	76⅞	Rockwell Int	40⅝	41⅞
Am Express	42	42⅜	Gen Mills	58⅛	56½	Royal Dutch	61	61
Am Home	58½	59⅜	Gen Motors	67	68	Safeways	31⅜	31⅝
Am Hospital	46⅝	46⅞	Gen Pub Util NY	13½	13½	Sara Lee	38⅛	38⅝
Am Motors	3	3⅛	Genesco	4⅛	4⅛	SFE Sopac	32	32½
Am Standard	29¼	29⅜	Georgia Pacific	22½	23⅛	SCM	64½	58
Am Telephone	21⅛	21⅛	Gillette	60⅝	60⅞	Schlumberger	36⅞	37
Amoco	65½	66	Goodrich	32⅛	32⅝	Scott Paper	41⅝	41⅜
Armco Steel	10½	10½	Goodyear	28½	28⅝	Seagram	38½	40
Asarco	22½	22⅝	Gould Inc	24⅛	25⅛	Sears Roebuck	35⅛	35⅝
Ashland Oil	32⅜	32½	Grace	43⅛	43⅞	Shell Trans	38⅛	38⅛
Atlntic Richfield	59¾	59⅞	Gt Attic & Pacific	16	15⅝	Signal Co	41⅛	41⅞
Avon Products	21⅛	22	Greyhound	28⅛	28⅛	Singer	36	36⅛
Bankers Tst NY	65¾	66⅛	Grumman Corp	32⅛	32	Smithkline Beck	66½	66⅞
Bankamerica	15⅛	15⅛	Gulf & West	40¼	40¼	Sony	15¾	16
Bank of Boston	48⅛	49⅛	Heinz H J.	55½	55⅝	Sth Cal Edison	24⅛	24⅛
Bank of NY	43⅛	43⅝	Hercules	38⅛	38⅛	Sperry Corp	49¼	49⅜
Beatrice Foods	33⅛	33	Hewlett-Pkrd	36	36	Std Oil Ohio	45⅛	46⅛
Bethlehem Steel	17⅞	17⅞	Honeywell	63¼	64⅛	Sterling Drug	30¼	30⅛
Boeing	47⅜	48⅛	IC Inds	32⅛	32½	Stevens J P.	21½	21⅞
Bosc Cascade	48¼	46⅛	Ingersoll	50½	51½	Sun Comp	48⅛	48¼
Borden	38⅝	39⅛	Inland Steel	24¼	24⅞	Teledyne	249⅝	249⅝
Borg Warner	22⅝	22¾	IBM	126⅛	126⅞	Tenneco	40⅛	40⅛
Bristol Myers	58⅛	59⅛	Int Harvester	8⅛	8⅜	Texaco	35⅛	35⅝
BP	30½	30⅜	INCO	14⅛	14½	Texas East Corp	32⅜	32⅝
Burlington Ind	28	28⅛	Int Paper	48	49¼	Texas Inst	95½	96⅞
Burlington Nthn	62½	63⅛	Int Tel Tel	32⅞	32½	Texas Utilities	29⅛	29⅝
Burroughs	64	64⅝	Irving Bank	38¾	38½	Textron	54⅛	54⅝
Campell Soup	37⅞	37⅞	Jim Walter	36	36	TWA	18⅛	18½
Canadian Pacific	13½	13⅝	Johnson & John	46⅛	47	Travelers Corp	41⅞	43⅛
Caterpillar	36½	36⅝	Kaiser Alumin	16	16	TRW Inc	75	75
Celanese	119½	118⅝	Kerr McGee	29½	28⅞	UAL Inc	57	57⅞
Central SW	25½	25⅛	Kimberly Clark	62¼	62⅛	Union Carbide	53⅞	52
Champion	23½	23⅜	K Mart	33⅞	33	Unocal	28½	29¾
Chase Manhat	56⅛	56⅝	Kroger	42⅝	43½	Un Pacific Corp	15½	48⅝
Chem Bank NY	39⅛	39½	LTV Corp	8½	8⅝	Unroyal	21⅞	21⅞
Chevron	36½	37⅛	Litton	78⅛	78⅝	United Brands	18⅛	18½
Chrysler	35⅛	36⅛	Lockheed	52⅛	53⅛	US Steel	30⅛	30½
Citicorp	46⅛	47⅛	Lucky Stores	21⅛	21½	Utd Technol	41	41⅛
Clark Equip	32½	32⅞	Manuf Hanover	37⅝	16⅛	Wachovia	32⅝	32⅝
Coca Cola	71½	72⅛	Manville Cp	5⅝	33⅛	Warner Lambert	38⅝	38⅝
Colgate	28½	28⅞	Mapco	36⅛	35⅛	Wells Fargo	56	55½
CBS	110⅝	111⅜	Marine Midland	31⅛	31½	Westinghse Elec	33⅞	34½
Columbia Gas	31½	31⅞	Martin Marietta	38⅛	39	Weyerhauser	28⅛	28⅛
Combustion Eng	28⅝	29⅛	Masco	34⅛	33½	Whirlpool	46⅛	47⅜
Comwlth Edison	30⅞	30⅝	McDonnell	81½	81½	Woolworth	48⅛	47⅞
Cons Edison	35	34⅛	Mead	39½	40	Xerox Corp	51⅛	52⅛
Cons Nat Gas	41⅞	41⅞	Merck	117⅛	117⅞	Zenith	18⅛	19
Cons Power	7⅝	7⅞	Minnesota Mng	76½	77	**CANADIAN PRICES**		
Control Data	23⅛	23	Mobil Oil	29⅛	29¼	Abitibi	20⅞	20¾
Corning Glass	45⅞	46⅛	Monsanto	51⅛	52	Alcan Alumin	36½	37
CPC Intl	43	43⅞	Morgan J P	48⅛	48⅛	Algoma Steel	21⅛	21½
Crane	37	36⅞	Motorola	35⅞	36⅛	Bell Telephone	41⅛	41½
Crown Zeller	38⅛	38½	NCR Corp	33⅛	34⅛	Can Pacific	17⅞	18⅛
Dart & Kraft	34⅞	35⅛	NL Industries	10⅞	11	Cominco	13⅛	13⅛
Deere	28⅞	28⅞	Nabisco	83½	83⅞	Cons Bathurst	18	18½
Delta Air	47½	48⅜	Nat Distillers	32½	32½	Gulf Oil	19⅛	19⅛
Detroit Edison	16½	16⅞	Nat Med Ent	25⅛	25⅛	Hawker/Sid Can	20½	20
Digital Equip	100⅛	102⅝	Norfolk South	69¼	69¼	Hudson Bay Min	7⅛	7⅝
Disney	88⅛	89⅛	NW Bancorp	26⅝	26⅞	Imasco	26½	26½
Dow Chemical	35⅜	36	Occidental Pet	31⅛	31⅝	Imperial Oil	51	51
Dresser Ind	21½	21⅛	Ogden	11½	11⅝	Int Pipe	41¼	41⅛
Duke Power	31½	31⅛	Olin Corp	31	31	Mass -Fergsn	3.60	3.85
Du Pont	57⅞	57⅝	Owens-Illinois	48¾	48⅞	Royal Trustco	22½	23
Eastern Air	11	11⅛	Pacific Gas Elec	18½	18⅝	Seagram	52⅛	54⅛
Eastman Kodak	43⅞	44⅛	Pan Am	8⅛	8⅛	Steel Co	21	21⅛
Eaton Corp	55½	56⅝	Penney J C	48⅞	48¾	Thomson N A	22	21⅛
Emerson Elect	71⅜	72	Pennzoil	48	48	Walker Hiram	32½	32⅜
Evans Prod	1⅛	1⅛	Pepsico	59⅛	59⅛	WCT	16⅞	17

e Ex-div a Asked. c Ex distribution b Bid. k Market closed n New issue p Stock split. t Traded y Unquoted

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vo
Three Month Sterling					
Sep 85	88.75	88.75	88.68	88.74	995
Dec 85	89.69	89.69	89.64	89.65	483
Mar 86	89.94	89.95	89.89	89.91	188
Jun 86	89.82	89.82	89.81	89.85	12
Sep 86	NT			89.80	0
Dec 86	NT			89.80	0
Previous day's total open interest 7416					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Sep 85	91.99	92.04	91.98	92.00	795
Dec 85	91.67	91.74	91.67	91.68	1570
Mar 86	91.20	91.33	91.26	91.27	156
Jun 86	90.88	90.88	90.88	90.88	3
Sep 86	NT			90.52	0
Dec 86	NT			90.19	0
Mar 87	NT			89.87	0
Jun 87	NT			89.59	0
Previous day's total open interest 19915					
US Treasury Bond					
Sep 85	77-20	77-29	77-18	77-22	1746
Dec 85	76-19	76-26	76-18	76-22	32
Mar 86	75-15	75-15	75-15	75-22	2
Previous day's total open interest 3000					
Long Gilt					
Sep 85	112-12	112-17	112-09	112-14	1463
Dec 85	112-22	112-29	112-21	112-27	392
Mar 86	NT			113-11	0
Jun 86	NT			113-11	0
Previous day's total open interest 3054					
FT-SE 100					
Sep 85	130.50	131.85	130.50	131.25	73
Dec 85	131.45	131.55	131.45	131.80	4
Previous day's total open interest 1542					

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● KEYWEST INVESTMENTS: A 170 per cent jump in pretax profits to Aus $6.5 million (about £3.3 million) for the year to June 30 is reported by Keywest. Total dividends 1.75 cents (0.5 cents). Gross revenues rose by 73.8 per cent to Aus $28.39 million.

● HICKING PENTECOST: The recent rights issue was accepted for only 1,256,806 new ordinary units (32.8 per cent). It has not been possible to sell the balance of 2,570,346 new units (67.2 per cent) in the market at a premium over the subscription price and expenses of sale. As a result the sub-underwriters are being requested to subscribe for this stock.

DARES ESTATES: A total of 15,245,657 new "B" shares (80 per cent) have been takn up at 5p per share. The balance of 3,805,302 has been sold at a premium and the net proceeds of the sale will be distributed to shareholders whose rights were not taken up.

MAITLAND MINING: Maitland Mining announces "significant" potential strike lengths on individual shoots at its Black Lady gold prospects 35 kilometres north west of Kalgoorlie, Western Australia.

AUSTRALIA MINING: The company has reached an agreement with Newmount Holdings under which it can earn a 70 per cent interest in joint venture ground at Cave Rocks, Western Australia, near Western Mining is openpit gold operation.

● SCOTTISH INVESTMENT TRUST: Nine months to July 31. Figures in £000. Gross investment income, 8,247 (7,378). Revenue, before tax, 5,826 (5,136). Net asset value per ordinary share after deducting prior charges at par, 321.5p (279.6p).

● NEEDLERS: Results for 25 weeks to June 22. Interim dividend, nil (nil). Turnover £5,986,624 (£5,239,596). Pre-tax profit £177,500 (£210,638). The board reports that exports continue to expand rapidly and are 120 per cent up on 1984. The company has taken steps to strengthen management to cope with increasing volumes and expects higher profits for the full year.

● LIBERTY LIFE ASSOCIATION OF AFRICA: Six months to June 30. Figures in millions of Rands. Net premium income 338.1 – about £98 million – (248.7). Net income from investments and sundry income 167.6 (121.9). Net taxed surplus from life insurance operations 26.4 (21.3). Net taxed surplus attributable, 23.7 (20). Interim dividend, 125 cents (104 cents). Net taxed surplus and dividends for 1985 are expected to show a satisfactory increase over 1984.

● PALABORA MINING: (A subsidiary of Rio Tinto-Zinc) For six months to June 30. Figures in R000. Turnover 241,592 (176,800). Pretax profit 95,871 (60,387). Latest pre-tax profit is equivalent to about £28 million.

● T F & J H BRAIME: Six months to June 30. Interim dividend, 1.5p (same). Turnover £1,756,929 (£1,707,015). Pretax profit £46,410 (£50,659) Including investment income £53,422 (£45,153). Tax £19,144 (£45,153). Tax £19,144 (£23,810). Earnings per share 1.63p (1.60p).

● HMC AUSTRALASIA: The company and its Broad Arrow joint venture partner, Electrum NnL, have agreed to create Australia's first integrated gold service – from ore conversion to refining and delivery to the London Gold and silver markets. Its main competitor willbe the government-owned Perth mint.

● SUNBEAM WOLSEY: Six months to June 30. Interim 1p (same). Figures in Irish £000. Turnover 15,081 (13,109). Pretax profit 542 (495). Tax 140 (136). Minorities 11 (9). Earnings per share 4.4p (3.9p).

● DEWEY WARREN HOLDINGS: Six months to June 30. Interim 2.5p (2p). Figures in £000. Net brokerage income, 1,562 (1,201), after direct expenditure, 650 (638). Pretax profit, 799 (685).

● JOHN BEALES: Year to May 31, compared with previous 63 weeks. Final 2.8p, making 4p (3.65p). Figures in £000. Turnover 13,706 (16,072). Pre and post-tax profit, 651 (609). The board reports that group prospects for the immediate future look good. Order books are better than at the same time last year and, given that the present buoyant levels of retail sales are maintained, the board is confident that the group will make further progress during the next year.

● PLASMEC: Half-year to June 30. Interim divident 1p (same). Sales £3,513,943 (£3,718,930). Loss, before tax, £40,498 (£195,156 profit). The board is optimisticthat a sufficient recovery will be forthcoming in the second half to enable the group to return a profit for the year as a whole.

● WM BOULTON: The company has sold J W Ratcliffe and Sons (Engineers) to Messrs K L Amos and K Bernsford for £100,526. The outstanding inter-company indebtedness of £110,278 will be repaid in four equal annual instalmenis commencing on June 20, 1986.

● RIO TINTO-ZINC: Comalco, an RTZ offshoot, has sold its 13.3 per cent shareholding in G. E. Crane Holdings to Crane Enfield Metals for Aus$7.5 million (£3.8 million).

● AGA: Figures in millions of Swedish Krona. Sales, 4,506 (2,717) for the first half of 1985. Income before year-end provisions and tax, 511 (£44 million), against 349.

● ULTRAMAR: Ultramar Exploration has agreed with Flamstone Oil and Gas to farm-in to Flamstone's 15 per cent interest in licences P377 and P378, subject to Government permission. By participating in the two wells Ultramar would earn a 10 per cent interest in the licences.

● GENBEL INVESTMENTS: Year to June 30. Final dividend 105 cents, making 170 cents (against 150 cents). Figures in R000. Income, before tax, 69,076 (£20 million), against 59,184.

● KOYODA ELECTRONICS: The company which took over the business of Honic's subsidiary, Soundic Electronics, has now been sold to an undisclosed buyer. The jobs of about 300 workers will not be affected.

TEMPUS

Deafening silence after Johnson's shining results

Johnson Group Cleaners found itself on the receiving end last December of a bid by Nottingham Manufacturing, which valued Britain's biggest dry-cleaning operation at £53 million or 440p a share.

The offer, the fourth in seven years, was hotly resisted, notably via an ambitious profits forecast for 1985, and the offer duly lapsed.

Yesterday, Johnson produced some figures which apparently vindicated the shareholders' decision to stay with the group. Pretax profits have risen by 41 per cent to £3.8 million, while sales are ahead by 45 per cent to £45.3 million.

Earnings have risen by well over a third to 22p.

The chairman, Mr Philip Bollom, sounds a happy man. In Britain sales and margins on both cry-cleaning and textile rental have improved, in the United States, new acquisitions have performed well.

Sadly, at this point, the good news begins to peter out. Access to working capital is clearly becoming a costly problem, witness the sharp rise in interest payable over the last six months from £466,000 to £1.6 million. Subsidiaries have been sold to reduce borrowings.

Getting at the truth behind the potentially misleading series of signals emitted by the group was rendered the more difficult yesterday by the group's decision to field all calls via an answerphone.

Demob happy was how the market reacted to such blatent lack of interest in shareholder relations. Other traders, however, read rather more significance into the group's refusal to emerge from its shroud of silence, suggesting that perhaps another bid or a cash-raising exercise was on the way.

For those who care about these things, the shares closed at 447p, up 1p on the day and 7p above the Nottingham Manufacturing final offer.

Building sector

Next week will bring a spate of results from building companies. The figures are likely to remind investors with a start of the appalling weather last winter. In January and February heavy snowfalls made many building sites unworkable. Profits will have been badly affected as a result.

Interim profits from Marley, the roof tile and plastic pipe producer, could be down by as much as £9 million to £6 million, according to Mr Angus Phaure of Fielding, Newson-Smith, the broker. The company's statement should refer to a second-half pick-up and a stronger balance sheet following disposals on both sides of the Atlantic.

If the news is worse than expected the shares could fall back and take with them those of other building material producers, reversing their recent recovery. Given longer term prospects, however, that slippage would offer a buying opportunity.

The only problem for the sector, which stands to gain from any pre-election spending strategies, is the adverse effect of exchange rate movements, following a wholesale purchase of American assets. Blue Circle Industries, due to report interim figures on Thursday, is only one of several British companies to have made huge acquisitions in the United States recently, with the purchase of Atlantic Cement for $145 million in April. With overseas profits already important, the strength of sterling will have held back progress in the latest six months.

Profits in the past six months will probably be slightly lower than the comparable £48 million in 1984, although the outcome depends largely on how the company treats its South African associate. The shares have been depressed lately by another bout of stories about cheap imports threatening the British cement majors' hold on the market. But these are probably exaggerated. Meanwhile Blue Circle is not above importing cement itself from Mexico into the American market.

The contractors stand to gain just as much from increased government spending as the building material companies. Mr Michael Simmonds of Buckmaster & Moore, the broker, forecasts a 5.5 per cent increase in output in 1987. Next week, however, will probably see only a small profit increase from AMEC, which reported £11.6 million last time. Taylor Woodrow is expected to report more than £14 million, up from £13 million, but the main interest will be on prospects for floating off its property side.

Stock Conversion and Investment Trust

The Stock Conversion and Investment Trust is going all out to woo shareholders. Its latest move is to offer a two-for-one bonus share issue, a proposal which comes hard on the heels of a 36 per cent rise in the final dividend.

All this smacks of a wholehearted determination to keep its shareholders sweet just in case Stockley, which is backed by Jacob Rothschild and has a 26.5 per cent stake in Stock Conversion, decides to mount a full bid.

The company asserts that its latest capitalization, which will increase authorized share capital to £52 million with the creation of 155 million new 25p shares, is intended to improve its marketability. And it is intended to reflect the growth in net asset value since the last capitalization in 1980.

The real growth in net asset value is something which Stock Conversion is still keeping close to its chest despite all its brave new attempts at explaining its activities. Net asset value for the year ended March 31 was 536p, a mere 5 per cent rise in portfolio value on the previous year.

But that is a misleading figure. It excludes the company's half share with Oldham Estates in the City of London scheme, Finsbury Court; it does not include the £80 million sale of the White City site to the BBC, which alone will add over 50p a share; and it excludes all the dealing properties, including the whole of the Scottish subsidiary, Scottish Site Improvements.

Taking all those into account, the net asset value is nearer 650p and it will be higher once some of the company's planned developments come on stream.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Talk of takeovers sends shares to summer best

By Derek Pain and Cliff Feltham

Takeover bids – rumoured rather than real – dominated the stock market yesterday. The second leg of the long three-week account ended with the FT 30-share index back above 990 points, its best level since mid-June.

Interest rate hopes continued to influence sentiment. With sterling still above 1.40 against the dollar, expectations strengthened that base rates will be trimmed next week. But the threatened rail strike inhibited progress.

At the close, the FT 30-share index was 4.2 points higer at 991.4 points. The 100-strong FT-SE share index was up 3.8 points at 1,313.5 points.

L. Messel & Co., the broker, describes the shares of Hazelwood Foods as "outstanding medium-term buy". Mr Tim Potter, a Messel analyst, expects current year's profit to rise 64 per cent to £10 million. He believes the group is well placed to expand, both through acquisions an organically. The shares were unchanged at 678p yesterday.

The Distillers Co. the spitits group, remained firmly in the limelight with buyers, believed to be American institutions, piling into the shares.

Interest has built up this week as the battle for its smaller rival, Arthur Bell & Sons, has drawn towards its climax. As Guinness claimed a resounding victory yesterday, the DCL shares enjoyed a heady 9p gain to 314p.

DCL shares have climbed 23p this week in often active trading. There have been rumours of Hanson Trust interest and that The General Electric Co. has topped up its 3 per cent shareholding.

Mr John Connell, the DCL chairman, issued the group's yearly report and accounts yesterday. They appeared to contain nothing which would provoke a fresh spurt of cheer.

The Bell defeat, is, in some quarters, regarded as highly significant in the context of DCL. For although, in many eyes, the Guinness bid was generous, it was not much above the average industrial multiple.

Until the Guinness victory, it had been believed that Scotch whisky companies would command much higher share ratings in a contested takeover bid.

Another FT 30 constituent to enjoy a speculative run was Thorn EMI. Mr Robert Holmes á Court, the Australian entrepreneur, is said to be interested. The shares rose 12p to 380p.

But Allied-Lyons, the food and drink group, lost ground as it accepted the Bond Corporation bid for its near 25 per cent shareholding in Castlemaine Tooheys, the Australian brewery. Bond increased its offer, giving Allied a £150 million inflow after tax.

The Skol lager group's shares fell 9p in early trading but they rallied a little to 228p as the market contemplated the future role of Elders, the Australian conglomerate which is thought to have almost 5 per cent of the shares and has declared its intentions of reaching 10 per cent.

There have been suggestions that Elders built up its Allied stake to try to influence the company against accepting the Bond offer. Such a policy has obviously failed. But if Elders continue buying, it clearly nurses more aggressive instincts towards the British group.

Meanwhile Allied wants to build up its food interests and shares of Rank Hovis McDougall rose 2p to 152p. S.& w. Berisford, with nearly 15 per cent of RHM, rose a further 3p to 178p. Management buy out talks on its sugar side was another influence.

Boots, on talk of an American bid, rose 5p to 200p.

Another blue chip to attract bid rumours was the deeply troubled STC. The shares gained 2p to 88p as stories circulated that British Telecom was preparing to bid. BT was unchanged at 195p.

Elsewhere, Pyke Holdings, the butcher, eased to 2p to 313p. Glen International, an Edinburgh licensed dealer, has lifted its holdings to 8.9 per cent.

Suter, with interim results next week, gained 4p to 142p. There is a belief that it is losing interest in bidding for the F. H. Lloyd steel group, where it has a 23 per cent shareholding. Lloyd's shares were little changed at 59p. Suter has, however, increased its stake in Raine Industries to 15 per cent.

Rugby Portland Cement gained a few coppers on Consolidated Gold Field bid hopes; Baltic improved 7p to 255p awaiting details of its intimated bid but Allied Textile Group tumbled 50p to 403p as takeover hopes evaporated.

Avana, the food group, showed a clean pair of heels as buyers picked up the scent of a firm buy circular from the broker Fielding, Newson-Smith. The broker is enthusiastic about prospects of future growth, helping the shares to a 23p rise to 587p.

Philip Harris Holdings, the medical and educational suppliers, was chased up a further 11p to 190p on prospects that W. Canning, might launch a full bid. Canning's own price held steady at 98p.

Ewart New Northern, the small Belfast property group, surged 60p to 350p yesterday as three shareholders put forward resolutions that the 100p shares should be split into 10 units. Mr Tom Wilmot, chairman of Harvard Securities, the licensed dealer, has expressed interest in Ewart and has established a shareholding.

Fleet Holdings closed the session at 334p, up 4p on the day and 30p on the week, after the decision to give United Newspapers the go-ahead to launch a takeover bid for the group. United Newspapers closed unchanged at 301p, 6p up on the week.

Elsewhere, the stores group Owen Owen continued to attract bid interest – the Claymore group sits on a near 12 per cent stake – with a 1p rise to 380p.

●Hanson Trust was, for the second consecutive day, the most active contract on the London traded options market. It attracted 6,26 calls and 407 puts. Lasmo was runner up, with 767 calls and 246 puts. The market achieved a total 6,704 deals – with calls outnumbering puts by more than two to one.

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	11½%
Adam & Company	11½%
Barclays	11½%
BCCI	11½%
Citibank

IMPORTANT Building Society investors please read

Unit Trust choice simplified

M&G SUNDAY TELEGRAPH UNIT TRUST GROUP OF THE YEAR

Most successful investors start with a clear idea of whether they want income or growth or a balance between the two. Individual unit trusts can meet each of these requirements, but the problem is knowing which to choose from over seven hundred unit trusts.

Before making an investment in a unit trust you should expect the managers to tell you how well it has performed over the long term. Past performance cannot be a guarantee for the future, but it is the best measure you have of a fund's likelihood of achieving its objective. New funds or funds which suffer a change of management are more of a gamble than those which can point to a long and successful record.

We describe here three M&G Funds which satisfy the three requirements of income, growth, or a balance between the two. Each has a performance record demonstrating the success of M&G's investment policy over many years.

Unit trusts are for long-term investment and not suitable for money you may need at short notice. This is because the price of units and the income from them may go down as well as up.

Income DIVIDEND FUND

An investor of £10,000 at the Fund's launch in May 1964 has seen his income after basic-rate tax grow from £396 in the first full year to £2,278 by 1st August 1985.

By contrast, a building society investor's annual income has fluctuated, rising from £536 in 1965 to £1,200 in 1980 and then falling back to £950 by 1st August 1985. So anyone who depended on a building society for income has suffered a cut-back over the past 5 years, whilst Dividend Fund investors continued to enjoy a steadily increasing income.

In addition, the Dividend Fund investor's £10,000 had grown to £57,440 by 1st August 1985 compared with the building society investor's £10,000 which, of course, remained unchanged.

If you need income which will grow over the years M&G Dividend Fund could be your ideal investment. The Fund invests in a wide range of ordinary shares and the aim is to provide a high and growing return with a yield about 50% higher than that of the F.T. Actuaries All-Share Index.

COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE TABLE of £10,000 invested in income units at the launch of M&G Dividend Fund on 6th May, 1964, compared with a similar investment in a Building Society.

Year to 31 DECEMBER	INCOME: M&G DIVIDEND	INCOME: BUILDING SOCIETY	CAPITAL: M&G DIVIDEND	CAPITAL: BUILDING SOCIETY
6 May '64	–	–	£10,000	£10,000
1965	£396	£536	10,200	10,000
1970	463	650	10,760	10,000
1975	828	871	16,300	10,000
1980	1,660	1,200	24,280	10,000
1984	2,018	853	54,300	10,000
1 Aug. '85	2,278	950*	57,440	10,000

NOTES All income figures shown are net of basic rate tax. The Building Society income figures are 1½% above the average of the rates offered in each year (source Building Societies Association). M&G Dividend capital figures are all realisation values. *Estimated for the year.

Growth RECOVERY FUND

M&G Recovery Fund is probably the most successful unit trust ever launched. The table below shows just how well it has achieved its aim of capital growth over the long term. The Fund buys the shares of companies which have fallen on hard times. Losses must be expected when a company fails to recover but the effect of a turnround can be dramatic.

COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE TABLE of £10,000 invested at the launch of M&G Recovery Fund on 23rd May, 1969, with net income reinvested.

Year to 31 DECEMBER	M&G RECOVERY	F.T. ORDINARY INDEX	RETAIL PRICE INDEX	BUILDING SOCIETY
23 May '69	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000
1970	11,760	8,570	11,020	11,058
1975	26,400	11,121	21,283	16,178
1980	102,560	17,287	40,175	25,521
1 Aug. '85	244,000	40,340	54,796	38,806

NOTES All figures include reinvested income net of basic rate tax. The Building Society figures are based on an extra-interest account offering 1½% above the average yearly rate (source Building Societies Association). M&G Recovery figures are all realisation values.

Balanced SECOND GENERAL

M&G SECOND General Trust Fund aims for growth of both capital and income and has a 29-year performance record which is second to none. It has a wide spread of shares mainly in British companies, which are kept under constant review.

COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE TABLE of £10,000 invested at the launch of M&G SECOND General on 5th June, 1956, with net income reinvested.

Year to 31 DECEMBER	M&G SECOND	F.T. ORDINARY INDEX	RETAIL PRICE INDEX	BUILDING SOCIETY
5 June '56	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000
1960	19,534	20,080	11,293	12,483
1965	31,947	26,230	13,492	16,093
1970	47,537	30,540	17,143	21,636
1975	81,843	39,620	33,107	31,651
1980	200,813	61,600	62,494	49,931
1 Aug. '85	494,852	143,710	85,238	75,921

NOTES All figures include reinvested income net of basic-rate tax. The Building Society figures are based on an extra-interest account offering 1½% above the average yearly rate (source: Building Societies Association). M&G SECOND General figures are all realisation values.

On 21st August 1985 offered prices and estimated gross current yields were

	Income	Accumulation	Yield
Dividend Fund	318.1p	900.0p	5.89%
Recovery Fund	264.9p	336.4p	3.67%
SECOND General	556.6p	1069.2p	4.12%

Prices and yields appear daily in the Financial Times. The difference between the 'offered' price (at which you buy units) and the 'bid' price (at which you sell) is normally 6%. An initial charge of 5% is included in the offered price and an annual charge of up to 1% of each Fund's value – currently ¾% – plus VAT is deducted from gross income. Income for Accumulation units is reinvested to increase their value and for Income units it is distributed net of basic-rate tax on the following dates:

	Dividend	Recovery	SECOND
Distributions	15 Jan, 15 July	20 Feb, 20 Aug	15 Feb, 15 Aug
Next distribution for new investors	15 Jan 1986	20 Feb 1986	15 Feb 1986

You can buy or sell units on any business day. Contracts for purchase or sale will be due for settlement two or three weeks later. Remuneration is payable to accredited agents; rates are available on request. The Trustee for Dividend and Recovery is Barclays Bank Trust Co. Limited and for SECOND is Lloyds Bank Plc. The Funds are all wider-range investments and are authorised by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

M&G Securities Limited, Three Quays, Tower Hill, London EC3R 6BQ. Tel: 01-626 4588. Member of the Unit Trust Association.

INVESTMENT FROM £1,000

To: M&G SECURITIES LIMITED, THREE QUAYS, TOWER HILL, LONDON EC3R 6BQ

Please invest the sum(s) indicated below in the Fund(s) of my choice (minimum investment in any one Fund: £1,000) in INCOME/ACCUMULATION units (delete as applicable or Income units will be issued for Dividend and Accumulation units will be issued for Recovery and SECOND) at the price ruling on receipt of this application. DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY.

A contract note will be sent to you stating exactly how much you owe and the settlement date. Your certificate will follow shortly.

DIVIDEND (MIN. £1,000) £ ·00
RECOVERY (MIN. £1,000) £ ·00
SECOND (MIN. £1,000) £ ·00

02 FULL FORENAME(S) (Mr/Mrs/Miss)
SURNAME
04 ADDRESS
POST CODE TC 483415
SIGNATURE
DATE

M&G

Registered in England No. 907776. Reg. Office as above. This offer is not available to residents of The Republic of Ireland.

£20 A MONTH CAN ACCUMULATE A LOT OF MONEY

If you had chosen fifteen years ago to save £20 a month in a building society, and had left the interest to accumulate, by 1st July 1985 your total outlay of £3,600 would have built up to £7,175. On the other hand, if you had chosen to save the same amount each month in one of our larger unit trusts, M&G SECOND General Trust Fund, you would have built up an investment worth £16,328, an extra £9,153.

You can start an M&G Unit Trust Savings Plan with as little as £20. You need not subscribe regularly but we strongly recommend that you do so, by completing the Bankers Order form. By saving a regular amount you make fluctuations in the stockmarket work to your advantage because more units are bought when their price is low than when it is high.

Unit Trusts are an excellent method of investing in the various stockmarkets of the world, and are ideal for regular investment over the longer term. They are not suitable for money you may need at short notice.

The price of units and the income from them may go down as well as up.

Your Savings Plan subscriptions go into Accumulation units of the Fund you choose and income is reinvested automatically after basic-rate tax. Further details of the Funds and the rules of the plan are available on request. All the Funds are wider-range securities and are authorised by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

The only charges are those you normally pay with unit trusts – 5% included in the initial price of units and up to 1% annually (currently limited to ¾% except for International Income Fund which is 1%) for management. There are no extra charges for this Savings Plan.

You can vary the amount you pay and you are free to cash in your accumulated investment, or part of it, at any time without penalty.

The securities in a unit trust are held in safe custody by the Trustee (one of the major banks). You can follow the progress of your plan by looking up the price of units and the current yield in the Financial Times or other leading newspapers. You buy units at the 'offer' price and sell at the 'bid' price.

WHAT YOU COULD HAVE ACCUMULATED FOR £20 A MONTH BY 1st JULY, 1985

	5 YEARS from 1 July 1980	10 YEARS from 1 July 1975	15 YEARS from 1 July 1970
	£	£	£
Amount paid in	1,200	2,400	3,600
M&G Dividend	2,357	7,620	17,737
M&G Recovery	2,063	8,542	24,181
M&G SECOND	2,059	7,420	16,328
F.T. Industrial Ordinary Index	1,964	5,615	10,872
Building Society Savings Account	1,493	3,832	7,175

Source: Planned Savings. All performance figures include income reinvested net of basic-rate tax. The figures for the M&G Funds are 'bid' prices. You should remember that past performance is no guarantee for the future.

SAVINGS PLANS FOR CHILDREN

The minimum age for the Unit Trust Savings Plan is 14, but accounts for younger children can be opened in the name of an adult and designated with the child's full name.

NO EXTRA CHARGES

TO: M&G SECURITIES LTD., THREE QUAYS, TOWER HILL, LONDON EC3R 6BQ

BLOCK CAPITALS, PLEASE

02 MR/MRS/MISS FULL FORENAME(S)
SURNAME
04 ADDRESS
POST CODE SP 483415

I WISH TO SUBSCRIBE £ .00 (min £20) each month to the M&G Unit Trust Savings Plan and I enclose a cheque (made payable to M&G Securities Limited) for my first subscription of £ .00 (you may wish to start your plan with a lump sum).

I wish my subscriptions to be invested in the Fund circled.

If no Fund is circled your plan will be linked to M&G SECOND.

AMERICAN & GEN. | INTERNATIONAL INCOME
AUSTRALASIAN | JAPAN & GEN.
COMPOUND GROWTH | MIDLAND
DIVIDEND | RECOVERY
INTERNATIONAL GROWTH | SECOND
GOLD

The units will be registered in the name of M&G Securities Limited and held for your account under the rules of the plan. If the Savings Plan account is being opened for the benefit of a child, please fill in here the full name of the child.

I understand that further subscriptions can be made at any time (minimum £20) and that I can realise my holding on any business day without penalty at the bid price ruling.

SIGNATURE
DATE

M&G

Registered in England No. 907776. Registered office as above. This offer is not available to residents of the Republic of Ireland.

BANKERS ORDER DO NOT DETACH FROM ENROLMENT FORM

TO _____ BANK _____ DATE _____ 19__
ADDRESS _____
Your Bank Sorting Code ☐☐-☐☐-☐☐ Personal Bank Account No. ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐ See your cheque book for details
Please pay to National Westminster Bank P.L.C., 191 Moulsham Street, Chelmsford CM2 0LR, Account No. 55713270 for the credit of M&G Securities Limited (SAVINGS PLAN ACCOUNT), quoting
Account No. (LEAVE BLANK) ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐ the sum of £ .00 on the
____ day of _____ 19__ and continue to pay that amount on the ____ day of each month/quarter until further order in writing from me, and debit my account with you from time to time with such payments.
FROM (SURNAME) _____
AND INITIALS _____
ADDRESS _____ SIGNATURE _____

THE M&G GROUP

Easier ways through school

The huge costs of private education can be reduced through a wide variety of schemes



The English public school: Standards are high but so is the expense

The prospect of paying up to £6,000 a year for your child's education at an independent school is no joke – especially if you have more than one child. It is the expense of financing private education that has given rise to a range of "school fees plans".

Three principal companies market these plans – C. Howard & Partners, Invest for School Fees Ltd. (set up by former Howard directors), and School Fees Insurance Agency (SFIA). All are insurance brokers and recommend schemes that generally have some element of insurance.

The permutations are numerous. SFIA, for instance, has two annuity schemes which guarantee regular payments to fund school fees, one involving payment of a capital lump sum at the outset, the other allowing gradual payments out of income.

C. Howard claims to have 20 different endowment contracts on offer from about 15 companies, using with-profits and unit-linked policies, as well as single-premium investment bonds.

It is worth bearing in mind that "school fee plans" are usually nothing more or less than ways of saving money to provide for future liabilities. Paying money to insurance companies is one – and not the only – way of catering for such liabilities.

The reason for using insurance policies was the degree of certainty about the future payments and the tax relief available on the premiums. With tax relief now a thing of the past, there is only the relative security to recommend insurance policies.

Tucking money away in, say, a unit trust, bank or building society savings scheme – particularly if paid to the child by other than a parent by means of a covenant – can prove equally reliable and less complicated than going the insurance route. Similarly, National Savings, or a portfolio of gilts and equities, if properly handled, could do the trick.

"When premiums qualified for tax relief, insurance policies were an attractive method of financing school fees", says a pensions lawyer, Robin Ellison. "Now that contributions do not qualify there are better ways."

Mr Ellison is critical of the commission school fees brokers earn from putting their clients into insurance-related schemes. Typically, on a 10-year endowment contract 27.5 per cent of the first year's premium goes into the broker's pocket. For the following years 2.5 per cent ends up there. In the case of a lump sum insurance-related scheme, 5 per cent of the capital sum goes to the broker.

"We will declare our commission when we are asked by the client", says Tony Murrell, associate director of C. Howard.

It is also worth bearing in mind that if you go direct to an insurance company offering a suitable policy in an attempt to cut out the middle man, you would pay exactly the same for your policy. Insurance companies will not disspunt their commissions to private individuals. So why not go to the specialist broker after all?

The trouble is that a broker dependent on commission for his income, will suggest that funding school fees to some extent via insurance is the best way. This may mean that other methods more suitable to the individual get passed over.

The advantage of the life assurance route if you buy annuities or with-profits endowments, is the degree of security they offer. If you are able to take a risk and look on school fees provision as just another form of investment, you might do better elsewhere.

The alternatives to an insurance broker for school fees or forward saving advice is an accountant or stockbroker.

One advantage is that accountants are not limited to recommending insurance-based products. Moreover, they must declare any commission they are earning as financial intermediaries. Many now hand their commission back to clients or set it off against their professional fees.

"Any commission we earn goes back to the client", says Don Johnson, personal financial planning consultant at Robson Rhodes. "This will often cover our fees in full, and indeed I would say that in about half of all cases it actually exceeds our fees.

If you look on school fees provision as pure investment, a stockbroker will do as well for you as any school fees specialist, provided you have an initial lump sum to invest. He will not be interested if you are funding the whole thing out of income.

If you start as soon as the children are born, a fairly modest lump sum of £5,000 to £10,000 profitably invested in a spread of shares, unit trusts, and/or gilts can produce surprising results. Stockbrokers frequently have insurance broking subsidiaries or personal financial planning departments, so they can advise on regular savings for school fees as well as lump sum investments – though they will generally expect you to have some capital to start with.

Stockbrokers with these facilities include Scrimgeour Vickers and Grieveson Grant. The Stock Exchange can provide names of others.

If you are starting late, the only way to fund school fees might be by borrowing and repaying the loan over as long a period as possible.

With building societies now lending for purposes other than straight house purchase, you may be able to find one that will lend against the security of your house – which will greatly reduce the cost.

Alternatively, the National Westminster Bank has an attractive scheme, as does London Law, which specializes in this type of lending. The merchant banker Kleinwort, Benson will lend up to 70 per cent of the value of your house, and you can draw down the borrowing in £3,000 tranches. This means that you pay interest only on the sum you borrow.

Lawrence Lever

Further details of school fee savings methods are available from:

- **C. Howard & Partners, Mitre House, 177 Regent Street, London W1R 7FB (01-734 8631).**
- **School Fees Insurance Agency Ltd, 10 Queen Street, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 1JA (0628 34291).**
- **Invest for School Fees Ltd, 27 Dover Street, London W1X 3PA (01-629 0524).**
- **London Law Financial Services Ltd, Bailey House, Old Seacoal Lane, Ludgate Hill, London EC4M 7LR (01-236 6105-8).**
- **Grieveson Grant & Co, 59 Gresham Street, London EC2P 2DS (01-606 4433).**
- **Kleinwort, Benson Ltd, PO Box 560, 20 Fenchurch Street, London EC3P 3DB (01-623 8000).**
- **Scrimgeour Vickers & Co, 20 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7JS (01-600 7595).**
- **The Stock Exchange, London EC2N 1HP (01-588 2355).**
- ***Paying for Independent Education*, by Robin Ellison (Duncan Publishing, 3 Colin Gardens, London NW9 6EL, £18.50).**

Flats that fall foul of the market

PROPERTY

Moving house is said to be the fourth most stressful event in a person's life. But what happens if you want to move and you find that legally your property is unsaleable?

Two years ago Mabel Williams, of Cardiff, decided on a move. She put her flat on the market and found three buyers within a couple of days, all of whom offered the full asking price. She instructed her solicitor to issue a contract to one of the buyers, and as far as she was concerned her move was well on its way.

But as soon as the purchaser's solicitors received the contract they advised their client to withdraw. Exactly the same happened with the other two buyers. Miss Williams' solicitor advised her to take the flat off the market until he could sort out the problem.

The flat was not held under a lease but was freehold. Flats are generally leasehold, so that there is a collective responsibility for corridors, roofs and gardens, and also so that there is a mutual enforceability of covenants between all the flat owners.

This means that you can insist that another flat owner carries out his obligations under his lease. If you own a ground floor flat, it is important to be able to ensure that the first floor owner repairs his flat, otherwise your property could be affected.

Freehold flats do not usually have these provisions, and as a result banks and building societies are reluctant to lend on them. A TSB spokesman said: "As a general rule we do not mortgage freehold flats. We are concerned about the enforceability of the covenants and the upkeep of the common parts. As many lenders do not advance money on these flats we feel that there will be a problem on resale."

The lender, not the owner, is protected

Some of the other banks such as Williams & Glyn's and Midland will look at mortgage applications for freehold flats as will some of the smaller building societies such as the Guardian, Leamington Spa and Scarborough. Most of the large building societies, however generally will not lend, although the Halifax says "We do sometimes make exceptions, every case is considered on its merits".

Miss Williams' solicitor and the nine other freehold flat owners on her estate are still drawing up the legal documentation to try to make their flats acceptable to the lender.

It is not just freehold flats that are falling foul of the lenders' requirements. An increasing number of flat owners with leases are experiencing difficulties when they come to sell. Their leases, often originally granted in the 1960s and early 1970s, have been badly drafted. They also do not make adequate provision for maintenance and repair of the property with the appropriate covenants which ensure mutual enforceability.

As a result, sellers of flats are finding that they are having to approach their freeholders for a deed varying the terms of the lease before the purchaser's bank or building society will lend any money. The deed does not come cheap. Freeholders have often been known to take advantage of the flat owner's predicament and charge high sums for necessary documents.

Moreover, freeholders are not bound to agree to vary the lease. If they refuse, the purchaser's lender will often insist on an insurance policy known as a maisonette indemnity policy. These policies cover the lender if he has to take action to enforce the covenants under the lease. A one-off premium is paid.

For example, a mortgage of £25,000 would require a premium of £75, but this cost often falls on the seller of the flat. Purchasers argue that they should not have to bear the cost of a defective lease.

The policies only protect the lenders, and not the actual owner of the flat. They are not transferable, so a new policy must be taken out on every sale. If the flat owner himself wants protection against the lack of enforceability of the covenants in the lease, he will have to take out a separate policy which is considerably more expensive and restricted in its cover.

Leaseholders should also be aware that many building societies and banks are reluctant to advance money on leases with less than 60 years to run. Astute freeholders, however, are often fully conversant with a lender's lease. They ask a high sum for the privilege.

Proposals are afoot for simplifying the system of residential leaseholds and introducing a new sort of ownership. In the meantime many lessees are overcoming problems of awkward freeholders and badly drafted leases by grouping together and purchasing the freehold of the whole of their building. Many of them form management companies which are extremely successful.

Susan Fieldman

12% NET 17.14% GER Deposit Accounts

★ Minimum £100 at six months' notice
★ Monthly interest payments available
★ Long term growth deposits
★ Fixed rates

Write to: CALCULUS FINANCE (Licensed deposit taker) Calculus Finance P.L.C. Freepost, Higham Ferrers Wellingborough NN9 8BR Telephone (09333) 83800/79

Did you double your money on the stockmarket in July?

If you had followed the recommendations in the July issue of OPTIONS ALERT you could have done even better.

For example, you could have made a 400% gain on ICI October 700 puts and a 250% rise on Sterling/Dollar calls.

For further information and a free recent issue, write to:
ROSTERS LTD.
60 Welbeck Street, London WI
Also available for share buyers, Special Situations Report details the build up of share stakes in quoted companies and recovery stocks.

INVESTMENT • CONTAINER INVESTMENT • CONTAINER INVESTMENT

Container Investment

AN OPPORTUNITY THAT OFFERS A HIGH INCOME PLAN



Containerworld Services Limited, based in Southampton, manage and operate a first class worldwide container leasing service. They offer you the opportunity to earn a High Fixed Income with security plus many other advantages.

• A GUARANTEE OF RETURN OF CAPITAL UNDERPINNED BY SECURITIES HELD IN TRUST • HIGH FIXED INCOME UP TO 17% PER ANNUM ON INVESTMENTS OF £4,250 (monthly and six monthly terms available) • OWNERSHIP OF A FULLY INSURED FIXED ASSET • TAX BENEFITS • MINIMUM INVESTMENT £2,400

For more details of this investment opportunity, telephone Southampton (0703) 336322 or our London Office, 01-499 5501 (24 hour service) or send off coupon to

CONTAINERWORLD SERVICES LIMITED 25 Queens Terrace, Southampton SO1 1BG

Please send me details of your Container Investment Opportunity
NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
Tel No. (work) _____ (home) _____
CONTAINERWORLD SERVICES LIMITED, FREEPOST SOUTHAMPTON SO9 1BD
T.24.8

صحتا من الاصل

صكنا من الاصل

Savings snip of the year

■ Buy now while stocks last must be the message to investors contemplating putting money into National Savings. Buildings societies have now announced their new investment rates, and most are paying 7 per cent net of basic rate tax on ordinary accounts, and up to 8.75 or 9 per cent on extra interest accounts. But these are not fixed, and if interest rates come down again – which is possible – building society rates will slide, too.

Bargain of the year for anyone who pays tax must be the National Savings Yearly Plan – the 12-month savings scheme that turns into a four-year savings certificate. The overall return for the five-year term is 9.28 per cent – tax free. This is particularly generous for top-rate taxpayers who will have a further tax liability on the 9 per cent they get from the building society.

Higher rate tax payers should buy as much as they can afford of the current 30th issue National Savings certificates, paying 6.85 per cent tax free. Both savings certificates and yearly plan are likely to be withdrawn very soon as the rates are now too generous.



Cheap holidays

■ Skipton Building Society, in the marketing forefront with new ideas, is offering discounts of up to £150 a head, or 10 per cent on British Airways' Sovereign and Enterprise winter 1985-86 brochures.

To qualify for the discount you have to be an investor in Skipton's Sovereign share account. This is paying 10.8 per cent net of basic rate tax on amounts of £10,000 or more, or 10.3 per cent on investments between £500 and £9,999, though to qualify for the holiday discounts you need only invest the minimum £500.

"We ran a similar scheme for British Airways' summer brochure and it was enormously successful," commented the Skipton general manager Terry Adams. "We are keeping the winter holiday discount scheme open until the end of the year". Skipton had a huge response to the last scheme, with jammed telephone lines. It took in more than £1.5 million from investors seeking holiday discounts.

Details from Skipton Building Society, High Street, Skipton, North Yorkshire BD23 1DN. Tel: 0756 4581.

New homes for old

■ The Department of the Environment has published a report which gives strong support to companies offering home annuity schemes and sheltered housing for sale to elderly people.

The report concludes that sheltered housing offers important alternative accommodation for elderly owners wanting to move. Such accommodation is ideal because it is safe and designed specially for the elderly.

It enables the elderly home owner to realize capital, and those who need extra appear to be able to get it through informal arrangements with family or friends. However, one fifth of those in the report's sample living in sheltered housing were dissatisfied, usually because of high service charges.

There is more satisfaction with home annuity schemes. The report endorses the growing involvement of the private sector in providing financial schemes to help the elderly, and suggests that local authorities should give advice on such schemes.

Cheaper loan

■ Perhaps the cheapest home loans on offer are available from the United Bank of Kuwait which is charging only 12.5 per cent for its mortgage money – at least 0.25 less than the building societies. The new rate applies to all types of home loans – straight repayments as well as insurance-linked – and there is no differential for larger than average borrowers.

Minimum loan is £30,000 and the bank will lend up to 80 per cent of valuation on loans between £30,000 and £40,000, or 70 per cent of valuation for sums over £40,000.

Details from the United Bank of Kuwait Ltd, 3 Lombard Street, London EC3V 9DT. Tel: (01) 626 3422.

Adverts in taxis

■ Virtually everything these days is used as an advertising medium – first it was taxi doors, now it is in video screens in taxis. And if you think this will work, then you ought to take a look at a new Business Expansion Scheme company, Transport Media Plc.

The company is installing and operating audio visual systems in cabs. The idea is to exploit a captive audience. The compact video screens are installed in a specially adapted bulkhead above the glass partition between driver and passengers, and show a 15-minute programme, in colour.

London Venture Capital Market, which is acting as sponsor to the company, says: "The first contract has been signed in Manchester for members of the Manchester Taxi Owners' Association (360 members) to carry this equipment which is expected to be fully operational in taxis by the end of September."

The minimum investment is £250, and the offer closes on September 10. Details from London Venture Capital Market Ltd., 21 Upper Brook Street, London W1Y 1PD. Tel.: 491 1357

The salesmen's secrets

INSURANCE

Insurance companies and other interested parties are marshalling their forces to fend off the threatened disclosure of insurance commissions which – surprise, surprise – they say is not in the consumer's interest.

Friends' Provident Life says: "Disclosures of commissions will be of little use to the consumer; it is likely to disturb the market without equal treatment over all sections, and may well encourage people to turn from self-provision to dependency on the State."

Insurance companies do not want the commission they pay to brokers disclosed because if clients realized just how much was going into the pocket of the sales person, they might not buy the product and the market might soon be in difficulties.

The companies, however, do have a point in the area of equal treatment. Why should insurance brokers be obliged to disclose commission when salesmen and other intermediaries, who may be remunerated in a variety of other ways, do not have to make such declarations?

The answer is to set a maximum amount which can be spent on selling and promoting policies – whether that is commission, wages, advertising or the general overheads of running the business.

If the public knew that the maximum was, say 30 per cent of premiums and that the policy they were buying used only 10 per cent to cover its own costs, they would have a benchmark against which to measure the relative merits of a company and its products.

It works in other countries – why not here?

Richard Thomson

Decision days at Lloyd's

Latest figures on the performance of Lloyd's syndicates published this week provided existing members with a yardstick against which they can assess their syndicates, and new members with a guide to the profitable syndicates to join.

At one time joining Lloyd's involved an act of faith – you had to trust your agent to choose good syndicates, and information on actual performance, if available at all, was more closely guarded than an official secret.

But in 1980 a group of disgruntled members or "names" decided this was unsatisfactory and compiled statistics on the syndicates' performances.

Their efforts, coming at a time of scandal and horrific losses for some Lloyd's names, have revolutionized attitudes towards their Lloyd's investment.

The tables show the best and worst marine and non-marine syndicates for 1982. Because of the long-term nature of the business, syndicates close their accounts three years in arrears.

The tables show the name of the managing agent, who organizes the affairs of the underwriting syndicate; the underwriter, who makes the decision on which insurance risks to take; and the return to investors on that syndicate for every £10,000 "line" they write.

In the case of the worst performing syndicates, the figures in brackets show the losses for every £10,000 line that members have had to bear.

Names on the ill-fated PCW syndicates have had to dig deep into their pockets to the tune of £52,348 for every £10,000 line they underwrote. The true implication of "unlimited liability" is something these unfortunate investors cannot ignore.

But getting on to the top performing syndicates is not easy. Much will depend on the prestige of your agent and his placing power – not all have facilities on all syndicates.

"Choose your agent carefully", is the advice from John Rew, one of the joint editors of *Lloyd's League Tables* and himself a Lloyd's name. "It is the most vital decision you will make as a member of Lloyd's."

He points out that although it is too late for would-be members to put in their applications for 1986 – they had to be in by July – there is still time for existing members to switch syndicate, which might well involve changing agents.

"Technically you have to notify your agent by the end of June that you are making a change but that provision is usually waived", says Mr Rew. "The best spaces (or syndicates) will probably disappear during the first two weeks in September". Therefore, names wanting to switch agents and/or syndicates should waste no time.

"Your strongest position is always when you have not yet committed yourself", says Mr Rew. "The tables highlight the huge disparity between the performances of the syndicates.

"What the tables also show if you look several years back is that the bad syndicates are getting worse."

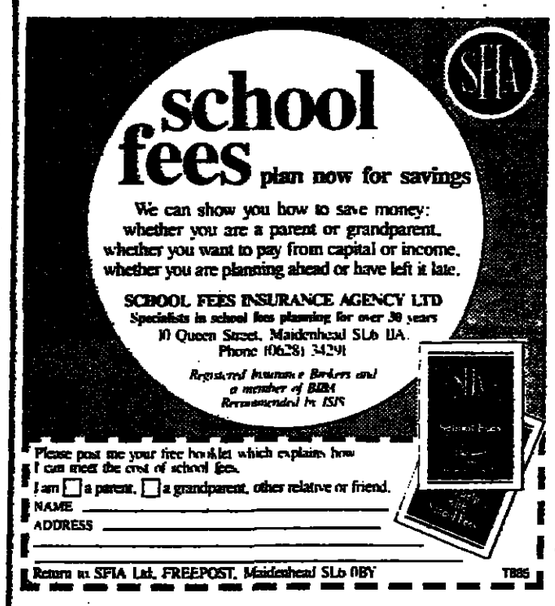
Lorna Bourke

Lloyd's League Tables, £45, from Chatset Ltd, Bridge House, 181 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4DD.

LLOYD'S PERFORMANCES

Managing agent	Underwriter	Syndicate No.	£10,000 line £	Managing agent	Underwriter	Syndicate No.	£10,000 line £
Marine – Top				**Non-Marine – Top**			
R W Sturge	M J H Maughan	207	5,854	R P Milligan	R P Milligan	527	7,291
Holman Franklin	J L Franklin	667	5,291	John Poland	K B Theobald	164	6,382
John Poland	D H Howell	733	5,054	Murray Lawrence	S D Chappell	158	3,858
Hampton, Evans & Berkley Roy Hill	B L Evans	358	4,971	Stanhouse Hirman	E E Patrick	561	3,855
Gardner Mountain W.M.D.	C R Hill C E Davies	372 474	4,390 3,480	Stanhouse Reed Shaw M C Wirgt – Gardner Mountain	S R Smith N J Newman (M C Wirgt)	45 674	3,044 3,000
Sedgwick Forbes	P R Chandler	483	3,224	Aragorn	G J Potter	354	2,898
Alexander Howden	R A Ford	535	3,032	Stanhouse Patrick	E E Patrick	167	2,789
Philip N. Christie	M P Compton	145	2,853	Stanhouse Reed Shaw	S R Smith	177	2,722
Michael Ii Merchant	M J Merchant	282	2,787	R J Kiln	G D Gilchrist (C K Murray)	557	2,274
L G Cox	S A Cox	590	2,645	Goode Walker	D J Walker (E Ryan)	290	1,956
N T Evennett	N T Evennett	658	2,488	B P D Kellett	B P D Kellett	593	1,787
Marine – Bottom			£	**Non-Marine – Bottom**			£
Marrett	S R Marrett	415	(1,598)	Andrew Drysdale	A W Drysdale	43	(4,392)
Alexander Howden	G K Knight	945	(1,827)	Philip N Christie	G W Jordan (F J Simmonds)	488	(4,279)
Alexander Howden	J G Tharpe/ D B Hepworth	697	(1,768)	R K Harrison, Graves & Austin	F J Austin	722	(5,281)
Grayston, Rust & Salt	K F Rust/ P M Salt	749	(2,026)	Glanvill, Enthoven	B Cauldwell (E P Hall)	464	(5,264)
Bolton Ingham	R Bewell (M R Lester)	787	(2,678)	Cassidy, Davis	A A Cassidy	226	(5,418)
Dugdale	T R Brooks	89	(2,351)	Merrett (Pulbrook)	E A Moore (D P Taylor)	90	(5,501)
Spratt & White	M V Spratt	161	(2,585)	Langton	S Williamson	12	(5,843)
Anthony Coster	A K Alleman	125	(5,035)	R K Harrison & Graves	S W Graves	471	(5,844)
Laurence Philipps	T M Hood	223	(4,359)	Dawson, Mackinnon, Hayter	C R Mackinnon	184	(16,927)
Oakeley, Vaughan	P R Marsh	420	(17,008)	Dawson, Mackinnon, Hayter		134	(18,978)
Spicer & White	B Spencer	885	(22,950)	Oakeley, Vaughan	C M Yelley	559	(11,626)
				Hardcastle	S I G Hardcastle	318	(13,667)
				A.B.A. (3) (R Beckett) (PCW)	R F Bailey (M D Jackson)	757	(16,591)
				A.B.A. (3) (R Beckett) (PCW)	R F Bailey (M D Jackson)	548	(37,178)
				A.B.A. (3) (R Beckett) (PCW)	R F Bailey (M D Jackson)	516	(32,349)

Figures in brackets show losses where the member has to pay up.



This advertisement is issued in compliance with the Regulations of The Stock Exchange

Nationwide Building Society

(Incorporated in England under the Building Societies Act 1874)

Placing of £20,000,000 11¼ per cent Bonds due 1st September 1986

Listing for the bonds has been granted by the Council of The Stock Exchange. Listing Particulars in relation to The Nationwide Building Society are available in the Extel Statistical Services. Copies may be obtained from Companies Announcements Office P.O. Box No. 119, The Stock Exchange, London EC2P 2BT until 28th August 1985 and until 9th September 1985 from:–

Fulton Packshaw Ltd., 34-40 Ludgate Hill, London EC4M 7JT

Laurie, Millbank & Co., Portland House, 72/73 Basinghall Street, London EC2V 5DP

Rowe & Pitman, 1 Finsbury Avenue London EC2M 2PA

24th August 1985

PRE-LAUNCH NOTICE

Of special interest to the first-time investor in unit trusts.

Legal & General Unit Trust Managers will launch *NEW* investment opportunities in September 1985.

Find out more today – and guarantee your 'New Investor' Privileges

IF YOU have a lump sum of £1,000 or more you wish to invest, a Legal & General Unit Trust may be the best way of making it work for you. A professionally managed unit trust gives you an ideal opportunity to invest in the stock market with all its prospects of capital growth as well as opportunity for income.

And with the name of Legal & General protecting your interests you can be sure your investment will be developed and managed with all the skill and expertise of a highly professional and successful team of trust managers.

Make sure you benefit from these Unit Trusts at the very beginning, and guarantee your 'New Investor' Privileges. Reserve details now about the new Unit Trusts from Legal & General.

Just complete the coupon or phone on 01-200 0200.

'New Investor' Privileges.

Investments received on or before 27th September 1985 will gain the benefits of allocation of *free units* for investments over £2,500 and a unit price held at the issued rate of 50p.



FIND OUT BY PHONE

Pre Launch Notice Enquiry telephone number is ☎ 01-200 0200

Call now to receive details of the new Legal & General Unit Trusts.

Lines are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

PRE-LAUNCH NOTICE REQUEST

Post to: Legal & General (Unit Trust Managers) Ltd., Dept. DM, FREEPOST, Croydon, Surrey CR9 9EB.

Please send me full details of the new Legal & General Unit Trusts to be launched in September 1985.

Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS

Name

Address

Postcode

Name of Financial Adviser AAJ

Legal & General The confidence of proved success

Unit Trust Managers

Legal & General (Unit Trust Managers) Ltd. A Member of the Unit Trust Association. Registered in England No. 100948. Registered Office: Temple Court, 11 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4N 4TP

FRAMLINGTON

CAPITAL TRUST

An opportunity to invest in our star performer

Framlington Capital Trust has long had a claim to be one of the best unit trusts ever launched: its consistent performance and the calm way it has always been run combine to produce a very good unit trust indeed.

It was formed in January 1969 to invest for a combination of capital growth and modest income mainly through smaller British companies. It has always been managed by Bill Stunaford, now Framlington's Chairman.

Between January 1969 and 1st August 1985, the price of units rose 868 per cent, compared with 250 per cent for the FT All-Share Index.

The September edition of *Money Management* will show that over the year to August 1st Capital Trust had the best performance of all 88 funds in its category, UK General, with a rise in value of 36.6%.

And *Planned Savings* figures show that over ten years to 1st August it had by far the best performance of any unit trust. With net income reinvested, £1,000 on 1st August 1975 would have been worth £13,387 ten years later, 19 per cent more than the next best fund, which reached £11,204. The same investment in the FT All-Share Index would have grown to £7,136.

The trust has also produced a scintillating performance for regular savers. £20 per month over ten years to 1st July would have turned into £10,725 for an outlay of £2,400. Over 15 years £20 per month would have produced £28,113 for an outlay of £3,600, the best result for any unit trust.

Capital Trust's performance has been achieved by carefully picking out smaller British companies with good prospects of growth and then tending to stay with them. The list of shares is longer than is conventional (there are currently 160). The amount of turnover is lower than average. This keeps the dealing costs low, which helps performance.

Units are available in both income form (with distributions twice each year) and accumulation form (in which net income is reinvested).

On 1st August 1985 the price of income units was 161.4p (accumulation units, 189.8p). The estimated gross yield was 3.31 per cent.

HOW TO INVEST

You can make a lump sum investment simply by completing the form below and sending it to us with your cheque. Units are allocated at the price ruling when we receive your order. The minimum investment for a lump sum is £500. There is a discount of 1 per cent for investments of £10,000 or more.

Starting a monthly savings plan is equally easy. The minimum is £20 per month, with a discount of 1 per cent for contributions of £100 or more. Accumulation units are used and are allocated at the price ruling on the 5th of each month. To start your plan, complete the application and send it with your cheque for the first contribution. Subsequent contributions are by the direct debit mandate which we shall send to you for your signature.

Investors are reminded that the price of units and the income from them can go down as well as up.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Framlington Capital Trust is an authorised unit trust constituted by Trust Deed. The Trustee is Lloyds Bank Plc. The Managers are Framlington Unit Management Limited, 3 London Wall Buildings, London EC2M 5NQ. Telephone 01-628 5181.

Applications will be acknowledged. Certificates for lump-sum investments will be sent by the registrars, Lloyds Bank Plc, normally within 6 weeks.

Prices are published daily in The Times, Daily Telegraph and Financial Times.

The annual charge is ¾ per cent (+VAT) of the value of the fund. The Trust Deed includes powers to increase this to a maximum of 1 per cent if necessary. The initial charge (included in the offer price) is 5 per cent.

When units are sold back to the managers payment is normally made within 7 days of receipt of the renounced certificate. Savings plans can be cashed in at any time.

Commission of 1¼ per cent is paid to qualified intermediaries, but not on savings plans.

Distributions on income units are paid net of basic rate tax on May 15th and November 15th to unit-holders on the register two months previously. A report is sent at the time of the distribution. Savings plan statements are sent every six months.

Registered in England No. 895241. Member of the Unit Trust Association.

This offer is not open to residents of the Republic of Ireland.

To: **Framlington Unit Management Limited, 3 London Wall Buildings, London EC2M 5NQ**

LUMP SUM I wish to invest £ ____ in Framlington Capital Trust (minimum £500)

I enclose my cheque payable to Framlington Unit Management Limited. I am over 18. For accumulation units in which income is reinvested, tick here ☐

MONTHLY SAVINGS I wish to start a Monthly Savings Plan for £ ____ in Framlington Capital Trust (minimum £20).

I enclose my cheque for £ ..... for my first contribution (this can be for a larger amount than your monthly payment). I am over 18.

Surname (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Title)

Full first name(s)

Address

Signature Date

(Joint applicants should all sign and give details separately)

TIM24/8

FRAMLINGTON

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL
0345 717373 (Lo-line)

	Bid	Offer	Wkly Chng	Yld
Gen & Fixed	113.7	120.3 c	-0.2	0.58
High Inc Equity	72.1	76.7 ●	+1.4	6.46
Worldwide Bond	149.8	158.4 ●	+2.4	8.09
American Growth	131.0	138.3	+0.2	2.57
Asian Pacific	48.7	49.7	+0.2	3.56
Assets & Earns	76.8	82.1	+1.7	3.37
Capital Reserve	69.7	69.0	+0.7	
Comdty & Energy	71.0	76.3 c	-0.1	2.52
European Capital	49.6	52.8	+0.7	2.64
General	105.6	113.1 ●	+1.5	3.76
Japan	141.1	151.7	+1.8	
UK Growth Inc	72.1	77.5	+1.3	1.39
Do Accum	102.6	110.2	+1.7	
US Emerging Co's	52.4	56.3	-0.3	0.46
Equities Progress	161.2	172.4	+1.9	3.92

AITKEN HUME FUNTES MANAGEMENT
30, City Road, London EC1Y 2AY
01-638 6011

American Tech	102.5	109.6 c	-0.1	0.18
Pacific	117.4	125.7	+0.5	0.85
Sec Income Fnd	139.4	149.1 ●	+1.1	5.14
Special Situations	151.9	162.5	+4.4	1.58
Energy & Res	26.6	30.6	+0.3	0.10
American Majors	56.4	60.3	+0.5	2.50
Small Co's	38.1	32.1 c	+1.1	1.97
Japan Technology	49.6	53.1	-0.3	0.10
International Income	58.0	53.4 ●	+0.3	7.06
Exempt	425.5	455.0	..	2.38

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Hse, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
0277 211468 & 0277 229123

First Trust	179.0	189.8 ●	-2.0	3.73
Growth & Income	108.5	114.4	+1.4	4.05
Capital Trust	192.4	204.8	+2.6	2.62
Balanced	288.4	305.0	+2.7	3.81
Accum Trust	429.3	468.5	+5.3	1.26
American Income	28.2	29.8 ●	+0.2	4.97
High Income Tst	192.6	204.4 c	+3.5	5.58
Equity Income	120.9	128.3 ●	+1.5	6.02
High Yield	113.5	120.5	+1.6	6.54
Gilt Secs Trust	28.0	30.2	+0.1	9.54
International	87.9	93.8 ●	+0.9	2.34
Japan Fund	50.7	57	+0.1	0.01
Pacific Trust	107.5	114.4	-0.7	1.73
Amer Spcl Sits	55.8	59.5	+0.2	1.94
Spcl Sit Amer Tst	109.2	117.1	+0.8	1.17
Ald Asset Value	171.5	182.6	+0.7	3.70
Gilt Growth	33.5	35.6	+0.3	3.23
Smaller Co's	97.4	103.8 ●	+1.3	2.96
2nd Smaller Co's	131.0	139.6	+2.2	0.14
Recovery Trust	59.5	63.3	+0.5	2.96
Mat Min & Gnrlty	81.5	86.8		2.36
O seas Earnings	44.1	46.9	+0.1	0.29
Technology Tst	71.7	76.4	+2.1	1.97
Income Exempt	99.7	104.6	+1.9	6.62
Exempt Smaller Co's	189.8	199.9	+1.2	3.43
USA Exempt Trust	278.1	292.6	+1.5	1.52

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY
01-628 9878 01-280 8540/1/2/3

Capital Growth Inc	48.8	52.1	+0.2	2.04
Do Accum	52.7	56.3	+0.2	2.04
Commodity	76.3	81.6	+0.6	0.69
Do Accum	127.7	136.5	+0.8	3.89
Do 10% Withdrwl	40.5	43.3	+0.2	3.89
Eastern & Intl	88.1	92.9	+0.4	1.54
Do 6% Withdrawal	48.5	51.2	+0.2	1.84
Finance & Property	49.6	53.0	-0.1	2.13
Foreign Growth Inc	56.4	60.3		2.49
Do Accum	57.2	61.1	+0.1	2.48
Gilt & Fixed Income	41.3	47.6 ●	+0.1	9.19
Do Accum	72.0	75.7 ●	+0.3	9.19
High Income Income	56.8	59.8 ●	+0.3	8.71
Do Accum	126.5	135.2 ●	+1.3	8.71
High Yield Income	93.1	94.2 c	+0.4	8.97
Do Accum	148.2	158.5 c	+1.9	8.97
Managed Fund	48.5	51.1		
North American	70.3	75.2	+0.2	2.86
Preference Income	26.2	28.0	+0.1	11.49
Do Accum	78.4	83.8	+0.2	11.49
SmallCap Co's Income	99.9	106.7	+0.3	10.62
Do Accum	109.3	113.6	+0.4	0.92
World Penny Share	8.6	9.1 ●	-0.2	2.19
Portfolio Tst UK	61.5	63.7 ●	+0.5	1.86
Portfolio Tst Europe	74.5	77.1 ●	+0.6	1.24
Portfolio Tst US	84.0	86.3 ●	+0.1	1.24
Portfolio Tst Europe	63.4	65.6 ●	+1.5	0.10
Portfolio Tst HK	44.2	45.7 ●	+0.1	0.16

ATLANTA UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
46, Moorgate, London EC2R 6EL
01-638 1711

Japan & Far East	45.7	49.7 ●	-1.8	0.58
Canadian Trust	67.9	73.1	-1.6	0.86
Amer Special Growth	48.5	51.7	+0.1	0.66

BAILLIE GIFFORD
3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY
031-225 2581 (Dealers 031-226 6066)

Intl Ex (2c)	292.8	305.9 ●	-8.8	1.66
Japan Ex (4)	185.7	193.7	..	0.45
UK Ex (31)	145.1	154.3	..	1.81
Pac Basin Intl	322.4	349.9	..	
Pac Basin UK	147.0	148.5	..	
BG America	123.9	131.9 c	+0.2	1.52
BG Energy	102.5	110.2	+1.0	5.53
BG Emerging Growth	157.3	167.4 c	+2.2	0.63
BG Japan	63.6	67.0	+0.2	0.62
BG Technology	166.8	179.5	+0.6	1.52

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7
01-534 5544

America	73.1	77.7	+0.1	2.63
Aust Accum	135.5	144.3	+1.0	1.33
Do Income	93.3	100.6	+0.6	1.33
Capital	53.7	59.2 ●	+0.5	3.75
Exempt Trust	327.3	348.1	+2.5	4.62
Extra Income	93.5	99.0	+0.8	9.62
Financial	115.9	123.6	+1.3	3.57
500	198.3	210.9 ●	+3.7	3.38
General	102.0	115.9	+2.1	3.73
Gilt & Fixed Inc	51.1	53.8 ●	+0.1	10.21
Gr Pacific Accum	99.9	94.4	+0.3	0.83
Do Income	69.8	66.5	+0.3	0.83
Growth Accum	138.8	147.9	+1.7	2.91
Income Trust	249.0	264.8 ●	+4.1	4.29
Leisure Trust	63.0	66.9	+0.6	3.52
Special Situations	109.5	115.4	+1.8	3.24
Recovery	143.2	152.3	+2.2	3.34
Trustee Fund	65.0	69.4	+1.8	3.75
Unv Tech Accum	42.0	44.6	+0.1	0.65
Do Income	41.7	44.3	+0.1	0.65
Worldwide Trust	104.3	110.9 ●		1.55
6' Tst Inv Fund Acc	249.6	265.5	+4.3	3.52
Do Inc	186.3	178.9	+2.8	3.52

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 196, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ
01-658 9932

Australia	46.6	49.6	-1.2	0.83
Eastern	45.5	48.6	-1.1	1.00
Europe	59.3	63.0	+0.9	1.33
Growth & Inc	466.0	495.7 ●	+1.8	4.00
Do Accum	710.7	730.8 ●	+13.2	4.00
First Japan	38.9	42.6	+0.1	0.56
Japan Special	49.5	52.9	+0.4	0.60
Japan Sunrise	45.5	48.6	+0.5	0.60

BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT
59, Gresham St, London EC2P 2DS
01-606 4433

European Inc	253.7	264.1	+4.0	2.53
Do Accum	285.7	302.3	+4.5	2.53
General Inc	117.5	124.8 ●	+2.3	3.70
Do Accum	157.1	166.9	+3.1	3.70
Gilt Yield Inc	110.8	114.1 c	+0.4	10.23
Do Accum	182.8	187.8 c	-0.1	10.33
High Yield Inc	84.6	89.8	+0.9	7.19
Do Accum	139.6	148.5	+1.5	7.19
Japan Income	122.2	129.8	+1.5	0.65
Do Accum	122.7	130.1	+0.5	0.60
N American Inc	202.9	217.1	..	1.42
Do Accum	231.9	242.5	..	1.42
Pacific Income	80.0	84.3	+0.2	0.94
Do Accum	80.7	84.4	+0.3	0.94
Smlr Co's Inc	284.8	302.0	..	2.64
Do Accum	331.9	353.1	..	2.64

BRITANNIA GROUP
Salisbury Hse, 31, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 5QL
01-588 2777 (Dealing 01-638 0478/9)
(Viewpoint 01-675 6666)

Growth Gth	54.4	58.2 ●	-0.3	0.58
Recovery	76.5	85.2	+1.0	2.23
Smaller Co's	117.0	124.5 ●	+1.2	1.47
Spec Mkt Sits	12.8	17.7	+0.3	1.31
UK Growth	30.1	32.1	-0.3	3.09
Extra Inc	49.5	52.8 ●	+0.3	8.13
Gilt	26.0	27.4	+0.1	9.34
Inc & Growth	154.7	165.0	+1.9	4.89
Nat Hses Inc	149.3	159.3	+2.0	5.97
Prof Shares	17.1	18.2 ●	+0.1	11.08
Commodity	133.1	142.0	+0.6	3.23
Financial Secs	36.4	38.8	+0.1	2.55
Gold & Gen	18.6	20.1	+0.6	3.59
Int Leisure	13.2	14.1	+0.1	1.58
Prop Shares	41.8	44.5 c	..	1.61
Unv Energy	46.6	52.1 ●	..	0.34
World Tech	38.0	40.5 ●	+0.1	0.62
Amer Growth	62.3	67.8 c	..	3.56
Amer Income	53.8	57.4	+0.1	6.23
Amer Smaller Co's	22.1	23.6	+0.2	1.53
Amer Special	67.1	71.8	+0.2	0.62
Aust Growth	64.5	70.9	+0.1	1.56
Euro Smaller	9.6	10.5	+0.1	1.56
Far East	34.8	37.1 ●	+0.1	1.56
Hong Kong Prf	23.3	27.9 ●	-0.3	2.01
Int Growth	26.2	28.0	..	2.12
Japan Perf	33.3	34.5	..	
Japan Smaller	8.1	8.6 c	+0.1	
Exempt Gth	60.5	64.4	+0.5	4.17
Exempt Market	61.2	64.1	+0.5	3.68

BROWN SHIPLEY
8-17, Fenchurch Rd, Haywards Heath
0444 458144

BS Fund Income	47.2	50.5 ●	+0.8	4.46
Do Accum	77.6	83.0 ●	+1.5	
Financial	93.3	100.0 ●	+0.8	2.84
Growth Accum	157.0	168.0	+0.8	
Do Income	102.6	110.4	+0.5	1.78
High Income	49.3	52.0 c	+0.5	7.19
Income	57.1	61.5	+1.2	6.23
North American	47.8	51.4	+1.3	1.24
Orient	43.9	47.2	+0.6	0.29
Recovery	52.1	28.0	+0.1	3.58
Technology	109.5	117.8	+1.9	0.78
Exempt	160.9	173.1	+2.2	3.31

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868

General Inc (4)	170.3	179.0	+4.3	4.06
Do Accum (4)	264.7	278.1	+6.6	4.06
Income Fund (3)	73.5	77.6	+0.9	5.65
Do Accum (3)	122.3	129.1	+1.5	5.65
Intl Inc (2)	97.6	101.8 ●	-2.9	3.66
Do Accum (2)	127.9	133.4	+1.4	3.66
Smaller Inc (5)	643.4	689.9	+16.9	2.40
Do Accum (5)	894.8	944.1	+17.4	2.40

CS FUND MANAGERS
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY
01-242 1146

CS Japan Fund	41.9	44.5	+1.1	0.48

CANNON FUND MANAGERS
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NS
01-902 8876

Growth	221.4	235.5 ●	+2.8	3.86
Income	269.0	286.2 ●	+1.8	5.62
Far East	111.9	119.0	+0.1	1.44
North American	109.8	116.8	-0.6	1.84

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
100, Old Broad St, London EC2N 1BQ
01-588 8010

Capital (2)	261.8	275.6	+5.5	2.24
Income (3)	229.2	214.5	+1.3	2.85
North American (3)	229.2	238.2	+1.3	2.85

CATER ALLEN
1 King William St, EC4N 7AU
01-623 8314

Gilt Trust	100.1	105.2 ●	+0.6	11.42

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENG
77 London Wall EC2
01-588 1815

Inv Fund	325.15		..	4.92
Fixed Int	136.05		..	10.51
Deposit	100.0		..	12.10

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENTS
77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DB
01-588 1815

Income	291.67		..	5.82
Accum	813.64		..	

CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS
11, New Street, London EC2M 4TP
01-283 1693

American	39.5	42.3	+0.9	0.56
Australian	18.1	20.7 c	+0.1	0.15
Japan & General	56.7	60.7 ●	+1.0	0.15
High Income	39.2	42.0	+0.9	8.62
International Trust	57.7	61.8 ●	+0.5	0.33
Recovery & Growth Trust	37.6	40.5 ●	+0.6	5.07
Gilts & Fixed Int	15.2	20.6	+0.1	13.07
Global Markets	28.6	30.6		1.51
Special Situations	36.4	39.0	+0.6	2.43

COUNTY BANK UNIT TRUST SERVICES
181, Chesterside, London EC2V 6EU
01-606 1999

Capital Accum	226.4	240.8	+4.8	1.82
Energy Trust	45.0	47.8 ●	-0.4	4.36
Extra Income	126.8	133.8	+1.5	5.88
Financial	113.6	120.8 ●	+0.9	2.93
Gilt Str'egy	53.5	55.1	+0.1	1.88
Growth Investment	222.2	236.3	+4.6	3.09
Income & Growth	89.3	95.4	+0.7	4.94
Japanese & Pacific	73.3	81.1 c	+0.7	0.02
North Amer Growth	62.5	67.7	+0.5	1.48
Recovery Trust	92.9	98.8 ●	+0.1	2.04
Smaller Co's	148.2	157.6 ●	-0.1	2.35
Global Inc Tst	46.6	51.7 c	..	..

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW
04867 5033

High Income Trust	173.5	185.6	+2.9	5.66
Growth Trust	171.3	183.2 ●	+3.9	2.50
American Trust	106.1	113.5	+1.8	0.88

DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MANAGERS
38-39, New Broad St, London EC2M 1NU
01-638 4489

Income	76.6	80.9	..	4.65
Accumulated	132.8	140.2	..	..

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-225 2492

American Fund	57.6	61.8	-0.3	2.76
Capital Fund	61.0	65.2	+1.4	2.61
Growth & Inc Fund	101.8	108.9 ●	+2.1	4.48
High Dist Fund	80.1	87.8	+1.2	6.83
International Fund	143.8	152.8	-0.3	1.47
Resources Fund	22.5	24.0	+0.5	1.89
Smlr Jap Co s Fnd	18.0	19.2	-0.1	0.16
Tokyo Fund	84.2	90.1 c	+4.5	0.27

	Bid	Offer	Wkly Chng	Yld
(Ex) Amer (2)	116.3	123.1	-0.9	0.60
(Ex) Japan (3)	98.3	99.7	-0.1	0.46
(Ex) Pacific (4)	162.0	167.8 c	-0.1	0.56
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	106.0	113.1	-0.9	0.10

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
35, Founders St, Manchester
061-236 5685

Equitable Pelican	290.6	309.1	+2.9	4.66
High Income Trust	95.1	99.7	+0.1	6.84
Gilt & Fixed Int	48.1	53.9 ●	+0.1	9.85
Tst Of Inv Trusts	51.3	54.7 ●	+0.2	2.18
Special Sits Trust	66.6	69.6	+1.2	0.52
Nth Amer Trust	45.5	48.5	-0.4	1.82
Far Eastern Trust	44.1	47.0 ●	-0.2	0.11

EQUITY & LAW
Sq, George Hse Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1SD
0203 553531

UK Growth Accum	116.3	123.7	+1.9	3.86
Do Income	104.0	110.6	+1.3	3.86
Higher Inc Accum	174.2	185.3	+2.1	6.45
Do Income	146.1	155.4	+1.8	6.45
Gilts/Fixed Accum	88.9	94.6 c	+0.3	3.08
Do Income	78.9	83.1 c	+0.2	3.08
Nth Amer Tst Accum	116.0	123.4	+0.5	0.45
Far East Tst Accum	81.5	86.7	+0.4	1.15
Euro Tst Accum	91.9	97.8	+1.0	1.05
General Trust	180.7	192.2	+1.2	3.23

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680

American Fund	69.0	67.4	+0.5	0.36
Capital Fund	69.6	68.5	+0.4	0.71
Income Fund	83.8	89.2	+0.6	6.23
Far Eastern Fund	47.7	51.1	+0.8	0.74
Overseas Income	54.4	58.2	..	4.83
Fixed Interest	54.9	58.8	+0.1	9.83
Special Fixed Fund	47.0	50.3	+0.5	4.82

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL
Rivar Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY
0732 362222

American	91.1	96.8	+0.1	1.58
Amer Equity Income	39.2	41.9 ●	+0.1	3.51
Amer Special Sits	45.5	48.7	+0.3	0.51
South East Asia Tst	27.0	28.9	+0.4	0.80
Japan Special Sits	22.1	24.1	+0.4	..
Japan Fund	66.3	70.4	+0.5	0.27
Managed Int Tst	86.3	92.3	+0.5	0.84
Max Income Equity	57.3	61.2 c	+0.5	6.27
Special Sits	108.3	111.2	+0.6	0.27
Gilt Fixed Int	29.6	30.7	+0.2	9.84
Growth & Income	73.9	79.1	+1.0	5.46
Far East Inc	23.5	25.1	+0.4	4.56
Professional Gth	29.4	31.1	+0.3	3.11

FIRLAY (JAMES)
Ex 14, West Nile St, Glasgow
041-204 1221

JF International (3)	56.9	63.3	-0.2	1.73
Do Accum (3)	72.5	81.1	-0.3	1.73
JF High Income (3)	35.2	39.2	+0.1	5.88
JF World Energy (3)	15.4	16.8	+0.4	0.88
JF Recovery (3)	21.3	22.8	+0.5	2.88
JF Inv Trust (3)	83.7	90.0	..	3.32
Do Accum (3)	122.2	131.4	..	3.32

FLEMING (ROBERT)
25, Cheapside Sq, London EC3A 8AN
01-638 5858

American Exempt	2202.86	288.85	-5.00	1.92
Japan Exempt	220A.16	210.72 p	+2.83	1.56
Gilt & Fixed Int	91.1	422.0	..	7.76
Property Trust	22.0	24.0	..	6.29

FRAMLINGTON MANAGEMENT
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ
01-628 5181

Amer & Gen Income	189.8	186.2 ●	-0.2	..
Amer Growth	187.4	199.2 ●	+0.4	..
Amer Turnaround Inc	174.2	185.2	+0.6	..
Amer Trust	179.5	191.0	+0.6	..
Capital Tst Income	181.2	192.7	+1.7	3.37
Cons & Gilt Income	188.6	201.5	+2.1	3.37
Euro & Gen Income	78.8	81.4	+0.6	6.78
Euro Inc Tst Income	97.6	103.8	+0.9	6.78
Income Trust	114.5	121.8	+1.2	6.05
Do Accum	116.2	125.6 ●	+1.8	6.05
Income Trust	87.2	92.8	+1.0	5.67
Do Accum	88.4	94.0	+1.5	5.67
Japan Gen Income	132.8	141.0	-0.6	0.42
Pac & Asian	145.8	155.0	-0.8	0.42
Japan & Gen Income	48.5	51.6	+0.4	0.53
Pac & Asian	48.5	51.6	+0.4	0.53
Monthly Income Fund	57.0	60.6 ●	+0.7	6.39
Recovery	95.6	101.6 ●	+0.8	3.60
Do Accum	102.6	109.2 ●	+1.0	3.60

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885055

FP Equity Dist	161.6	171.0	+1.3	2.76
Do Accum	263.4	278.7	+2.1	2.76
FP Fixed Int Dist	104.8	112.0	+0.4	8.59
Do Accum	114.1	121.9	+0.4	8.59
Shrewsbridge Dist	136.1	144.0	+1.3	1.56
Do Accum	138.5	146.5	+1.3	1.56

FUNDS IN COURT
Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2
01-405 4300

Capital	271.8	276.3	..	3.22
Equity Inc	120.9	124.7	..	5.14
High Yield	168.2	173.6 ●	..	7.13

GT UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431

UK Cap Fnd Inc	74.0	79.2 ●	+0.7	2.95
Do Accum	85.6	88.5	+0.8	2.95
Income Fund	63.0	67.4 c	+0.5	7.00
Liquid Reserve	104.9		+0.2	4.10
Pension Exempt	126.8	133.6 ●	+0.9	2.40
International	106.5	114.0 c	+0.5	1.50
US & General	47.3	50.6	+0.2	1.30
Tech & Growth	63.3	67.8	+0.5	0.80
Japan & General	122.4	132.0	+0.1	0.40
Far East & Gen	67.3	72.0	-0.1	1.60
European Fund	138.6	148.3 c	+0.6	0.60

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766
Dealing 01-623 5808

American Trust	75.4	80.6	-0.6	0.31
Australasian Trust	20.1	21.3	-0.1	0.16
Bristol Tst Accum	44.7	47.8 ●	+0.2	2.62
Do Dist	39.6	42.2 ●	+0.6	2.62
Commodity Share	62.9	67.1	+0.5	0.38
European Trust	29.8	31.8	+0.5	1.04
Extra Income Trust	37.6	40.1	+0.9	6.24
Far Eastern Trust	82.0	87.3	+0.5	0.38
Fixed Interest Fund	29.0	30.5		9.72
Gilt Trust	25.2	27.3	+0.1	9.90
Global Fund Accum	110.8	117.9	+0.1	0.45
Do Dist	106.5	113.3	+0.1	0.45
Gold Shares Trust	14.8	15.6		10.20
Hedged American	23.6	25.3	+0.1	0.19
High Income Trust	104.2	110.9 ●	+1.5	6.13
Hong Kong Trust	27.2	28.8	+0.7	1.11
Income Trust	90.4	96.1 ●	+0.8	4.42
Insurance Agencies	136.19	38.98	+0.15	2.74
Japan Trust	65.8	70.0	-0.1	0.04
Managed Exempt	217.2	230.9	+0.1	4.61
Oil & Energy Trust	32.7	34.7	+0.5	1.09
Special Sits Trust	68.4	72.8 c	+0.5	1.86
UK Smlr Co's Rec Tst	49.7	52.9	+0.4	1.40

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT
Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA
01-588 5620

Intl Growth	58.1	62.1	+0.7	1.53
American Growth	49.8	53.2 ●	-0.4	0.33
American Inc	57.6	61.5 c	-0.3	5.21
European Growth	112.2	119.5	+2.2	0.53
Gold & Minerals	42.9	45.9 ●	+0.1	1.73
Japan Growth	82.2	87.9 ●	+0.1	
Pacific Income	85.3	90.8 ●	+1.5	1.82
UK Special Opps	85.0	90.7 ●	+1.5	2.80

GRE UNIT MANAGERS
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN
01-626 8021

Gilt & Fixed Int	111.7	118.1 c	-1.6	9.88
Growth Equity	162.0	172.4	+1.5	2.57
Grandfield	338.4	347.0 ●	+1.5	3.07
N American	118.6	123.4	+0.5	2.27
Pacific	137.8	146.0	+1.5	0.27
Property Shares	171.2	182.2 ●	+1.5	6.58
Smaller Companies	162.9	173.4	+1.4	1.85
European Trust	130.6	138.0	+1.5	0.86

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex
0277 217916

HBL Smlr Co's Tst	68.4	64.8 ●	+1.1	2.67
HBL N Amer Trust	54.3	57.8	+0.4	2.56
HBL Japan & F E	65.6	69.5	+0.4	0.56
HBL Scandinavian	51.1	54.2 ●	+0.2	2.86
HBL European	63.2	64.9	+0.1	2.66
HBL Conv Inc	43.8	44.7	+0.4	1.15
HBL Equity Inc	62.9	66.9	+0.4	3.78

HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION
26, Finsbury Sq, London EC2A 1DA
01-588 6761

Special Sits Inc	98.2	105.3 ●	+0.6	1.51
Do Accum	136.6	147.2 ●	+0.8	1.51
Recovery Trust	74.4	79.2 ●	+0.1	3.72
Capital Growth Inc	48.1	51.9	+0.7	2.53
Do Accum	54.6	58.8	+0.8	2.53
Income Assets	52.8	55.9 ●	-1.0	4.83
Financial Trust	100.4	106.9	+1.5	2.97
Income & Growth Inc	107.6	116.2	+1.5	4.48
Do Accum	109.2	118.0	+1.7	4.48
High Income Trust	112.8	120.2	+1.7	6.98
Smaller Cos Inc	123.8	133.3 c	+0.9	0.49
Smaller Cos Dis	77.0	82.8	+0.6	0.49
Prof & Gilt	48.8	51.8 ●	+0.2	9.50
Gilt Trust	48.8	51.8 ●	+0.2	9.50
Fixed Interest Trust	52.2	57.1 c	+0.1	9.51
Global Healthcare	58.1	62.4 ●	+0.1	0.51
Global Tech	85.7	91.9	+0.5	1.16
Gold	48.9	51.7	+0.2	0.97
International	111.7	119.9	+1.4	0.97
Oil & Nat Res	69.9	73.6 ●	+1.5	1.51
Worldwide (S)	209.3	224.7	+2.3	2.74
Australian	68.4	70.7	+0.2	1.

صكذا من الاصل

Brazil declares war on poverty

FAMILY MONEY/3

INTEREST RATES ROUND-UP

Banks
Current account – no interest paid. Deposit accounts – seven days notice required for withdrawals. Barclays 6.25 per cent, Lloyds 6.25 per cent, Midland 6.25 per cent, NatWest 6 per cent, National Girobank 6 per cent. Fixed term deposits £10,000-£24,999. 1 month 8.125 per cent, 3 months 9.75 per cent, 6 months 7.325 per cent; National Westminster. 1 month 7.85 per cent, 3 months 7.48 per cent, 6 months 7.19 per cent; Midland. Other banks may differ.

National Savings Bank
Ordinary accounts – interest 6 per cent on £500 minimum on deposit for whole of 1985, otherwise 3 per cent. Investment Account – 12.75 per cent interest paid without deduction of tax, one months notice of withdrawal, maximum investment £50,000.

National Savings Income Bond
Min. investment £2,000 – max. £50,000. Interest – 13.25 per cent variable at six weeks notice paid monthly without deduction of tax. Repayment at 3 months notice. Penalties in first year.

National Savings 3rd Index-linked certificates
Maximum investment £5,000, excluding holdings of other issues. Return tax-free and linked to changes in the retail price index. Supplement of 2.5 per cent in the first year; 2.75 per cent in the second year; 3.25 per cent in the third year; 4 per cent in the fourth year and 5.25 per cent in the fifth year. Value of Retirement Issue Certificates purchased in August 1980, £152.20 including bonus and supplement.
June RPI 375.4
(The new RPI figure is not announced until the third week of the following month).

National Savings Certificates
30th issue. Return totally free of income and capital gains tax, equivalent to an annual interest rate over the five-year term of 8.85 per cent, maximum investment £5,000.

National Savings Yearly Plan
A one year regular savings plan converting into four-year savings certificates. Minimum £20, Maximum £200 a month. Return over five years 9.28 per cent – tax free.

National Savings Deposit Bond
Minimum investment £100 maximum £50,000. Interest 13.25 per cent variable at six weeks notice credited annually without deduction of tax. Repayment at three months notice. Half interest only paid on bonds repaid during first year.

Local authority town hall bonds
Fixed term, fixed rate investments. Interest quoted gross (basic rate tax deducted at source reclaimable by non-taxpayers). 1 yr Suffolk Coastal, 10.50 per cent. 2 yrs Rotherham, 10.875 per cent. 3/4/5 yrs Edinburgh 11.00 per cent. 6/7 yrs Worthing 11.00 per cent. 8/9/10 yrs Worthing 11.2 per cent. Minimum investment in each case, £500. Further details available from Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy, Loans Bureau (638 6361 between 10am and 2.30pm) see also on Prestel no 24808.

Building societies
Ordinary share accounts – 8.25 per cent. Extra interest accounts usually pay 1 to 2 per cent over the ordinary share rate. Rates quoted above are those most commonly offered. Individual building societies may quote different rates. Interest on all accounts paid net of basic rate tax. Not reclaimable by non-taxpayers.

Foreign currency deposits
Rates quoted by Rothschild's Old Court Intl. Reserves 0481 26741. Seven days notice is required for withdrawal and no charge is made for switching currencies.

Sterling	10.88 per cent
US dollar	6.95 per cent
Yen	5.27 per cent
D Mark	3.81 per cent
French Franc	10.24 per cent
Swiss Franc	4.68 per cent

How will you pay for next term's fees?

Parents can be provided with a substantial reserve of funds.

These funds may be drawn upon as and when required. Next term's fees, for example, and then when needed over a number of years.

Parents need take only the minimum loan necessary at any one time.

Interest is only charged on actual borrowings, not on total allocated funds.

Loans are available for terms up to 30 years – this reduces cost.

Tax efficient arrangements are available.

Details of the scheme may be obtained by completing the coupon and sending it to The Scheme Manager, London Law Financial Services Ltd., Bailey House, Old Seacoal Lane, Ludgate Hill, London EC4M 7LR. 01-236 6105/8.

Please send me details of The School Fees Plan.
NAME.....
ADDRESS.....
.....

BUSINESS EXPANSION SCHEME

An outstanding opportunity to buy shares in a company marketing a unique advertising service aimed at passengers travelling in licensed taxi cabs, by using compact videos installed in the taxis.

TRANSPORT MEDIA PLC
OFFER FOR SUBSCRIPTION
by
THE LONDON VENTURE CAPITAL MARKET LIMITED
(A company floated on the Unlisted Securities Market)
of 2,500,000 Ordinary Shares of 4p each at 10p per share payable in full on application.
The subscription lists will open at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday 27th August 1985.
The Inland Revenue have given provisional confirmation that the company will be a qualifying company under the Business Expansion Scheme.

If you would like to know more about this company, fill in the coupon, or telephone us on 01-491 2810 or 01-491 3357 and we will send you a prospectus.

To: The London Venture Capital Market Ltd.
21 Upper Brook Street, London W1Y 1PD
Please send me, without obligation, ____ copy/copies of the prospectus for Transport Media PLC.
Name.....
Address.....Post Code.....

GUARANTEED INCOME
11% + NET
FINAL OFFER

County Financial Services have long experience in providing investment, for given circumstances, which produce the optimum return.

An opportunity exists today to secure an ABOVE AVERAGE MONTHLY GUARANTEED INCOME in anticipation of inevitable falling interest rates.

This plan is underwritten by one of the U.K.'s largest Life Assurance Groups and offers the following returns for a £10,000 investment.

Male Age	G'teed monthly Income	Yield Net of Tax %
55	91-68	11.57.
65	93-08	11.75.
75	96-54	12.22.

To obtain a personalised quotation simply complete and return the coupon below.

County Financial Services

To: County Financial Services, Orient House, 42-45 New Broad Street, London EC2M 1QY
Tel: 01-628 0898
Name .....
Address .....
.....
Tel: (Home).....(Business).....
Date of Birth .....
Amount available for investment ST/24/08

Manchester Office: 341 Palatine Road, Northenden, Manchester M22 4FY. Tel: 061-945 4411.
A member of FIMBRA.



Wilkison's sword: Tim Wilkison on his way to a surprise win over Yannick Noah at the ATP tournament in Ohio

FOOTBALL

Spirits of goodwill come to rescue of a game in need

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Anyone who watched "Hooligans", a television documentary shown last Wednesday night, will be forgiven for staying indoors today. West Ham United's Inter-city Firm were taken as an example of thugs who plan their battle campaign in the morning and systematically roam the city streets in the afternoon in search of a fight.

The timing of the programme, a terrifying advertisement for those who were unaware of the dangers of travelling to and from a match, was unfortunate. It should have been seen several years ago, particularly by the government and the authorities whose collective apathy was belatedly shaken during the summer.

A fresh spirit has since blown through the game as reflected in the statistics on opening day a week ago. Even though attendances understandably dropped, the number of arrests fell as appreciably as the total of goals rose. On the eve of the Bank Holiday programme another heartening tale was to be heard in Hereford.

The Rt Rev John Eastbaugh, the local bishop, is to sponsor the club's first home fixture in the fourth division this season. It will cost him £200. "We all want to see the return of football as a family entertainment," he said. "If enough community leaders sponsored games, it would encourage the players and the fans".

John Newman, Hereford United's manager, greeted the "marvellous gesture as proof that the city's most prominent churchman has faith in the sport and its future". The bishop may be about to receive ample compensation. During the visit of Swindon Town, a collection will be taken for the cathedral appeal fund.

A sum of £419 has already been raised by Brighton's supporters for Bradford City, their opponents this afternoon. Forty survivors of the fire at Valley Parade, which is to be reopened for a "private" reserve game next Tuesday, have been invited to accept the cheque, watch the match and meet the team.

That is if Chris Cattlin can summon enough players to be able to pick a Brighton side. Eight of his choices are either injured or suspended. Even though pitches have yet to be scarred, goalmouths are still green and tables await their first official publication, the same theme runs through the first division team selections.

Oxford United are without four regular representatives (Aldridge, Jones, Rhoades-Brown and Trewick) and Ipswich Town are missing three (McCall, Steggles and Wilson). So might Luton Town (Breaker, Foster and Hill), West Bromwich Albion (Cowdrill, Crooks and Robertson), Everton (Mountfield, Ratcliffe and Reid), Manchester United (Gidman, Moran and Moses) and Aston Villa (Evans, Gibson and Williams).

Villa did at least complete the signing of Hodge, Nottingham Forest's talented midfield player, apparently for £400,000. The fee was not confirmed by Brian Clough, who discovered earlier in the day that the International League Board valued Rice, the Scot he recently bought from Hibernian, at £175,000. That is £100,000 above Forest's offer.

With Newcastle United, Tottenham Hotspur, Sheffield Wednesday and Watford also troubled by fitness doubts, anyone would have thought that the season was months old. Second division muscles are no less strained. Chick Bates, Shrewsbury Town's manager, has been forced to bring in two raw teenagers and to bring himself out of retirement at the age of 35.

Len Lawrence would prefer to make "wholesale" changes to a Charlton Athletic line-up that he describes as "just not good enough". Unfortunately, none of his other options is available. Laurie McMenemy could be excused for altering a Sunderland side that is on the verge of equalling their worst ever start, in 1958 when they were relegated for the first time in their history.

Should they lose at Crystal Palace, they will match a 27-year-old record but McMenemy is expected to keep the same team sheet. That shows faith. The prize for early season optimism goes to Bobby Ferguson. "All that stops us from being a force," he says, "is the front players getting together". His Ipswich side have yet to score a goal or gain a point.

BOXING

McGuigan lines up date for his defence

Barry McGuigan, the World Boxing Association featherweight champion, will defend his title against Bernie Taylor of the United States at the King's Hall, Belfast, on September 28, the promoter, Stephen Eastwood, announced yesterday.

When contracts were signed last June, it had been suggested that London, Birmingham or Glasgow would be the venue.

Yesterday, however, Eastwood revealed that Taylor was being paid an extra $100,000 to be lured to Belfast for the contest. "It is costing $1 million to stage this contest, the most costly sporting event ever in Ireland," Eastwood said.

"McGuigan is on a record pay day as well. He could have got more at the other venues or in the United States, but he knows where his priorities lie," said Eastwood.

The King's Hall has a capacity of 7,000, and, although the fight will be shown live by ABC in the United States, only closed-circuit television will be allowed in Ireland and possibly in Britain.

This will be McGuigan's 20th fight and the first defence of the title since he beat Eusebio Pedroza on points over 15 rounds at Queen's Park Rangers' ground, London, in June.

Taylor, known as the "Knoxville Express" is unbeaten in 33 fights and, three years ago, he drew with Pedroza in a world title bout.

McGuigan has been in training for the last eight weeks.



McGuigan: live to the US

MOTOR RACING

Three accidents on day of practice

From John Blunsden, Zandvoort

It was a day of rare drama here yesterday during practice for Sunday's Dutch Grand Prix with three leading drivers being involved in accidents. Fortunately, none was injured. Nelson Piquet survived a high speed crash when he missed his braking point at the end of the main straight and ended up in the sand dunes. Derek Warwick had his Renault rammed and Ayrton Senna's JPS Lotus caught fire.

The Brazilian Piquet claimed the fastest qualifying time, more than half a second clear of Keke Rosberg, of Finland, his closest challenger. Piquet's time of 1m 11.074sec, two and a half seconds quicker than last year's pole position, will probably be sufficient to ensure that his Brabham-BMW starts from the front of the field.

Nigel Mansell was disappointed at being only seventh fastest in his Williams-Honda, and will use different chassis settings in the hope of improving today. Derek Warwick had to sit out much of the preliminary session after his Renault had been rammed by Riccardo Patrese's Alfa Romeo, and he ended up just out of the top 10.

Martin Brundle is relieved to be back in a turbo-charged Renault-engined Tyrrell, but he and Stefan Bellof, his team partner, have yet to bring their cars up to full competitiveness.

Jonathan Palmer lost a lot of time after a suspension wishbone failure on his Zakspeed, but is confident of improving on his 23rd place.

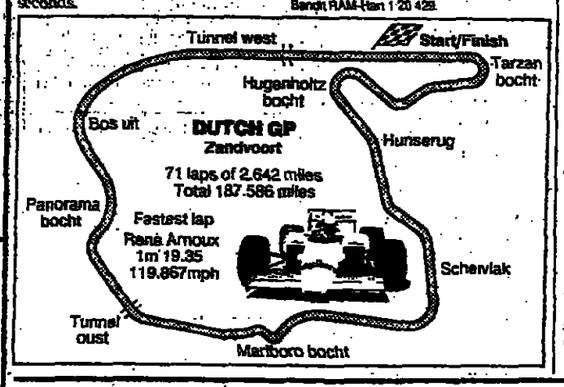
An angry Ayrton Senna had been fined $5,000 (£3,600) by the race stewards for taking a short cut back to the paddock when the back of his JPS Lotus suddenly caught fire. "I tried to get through to the pit road, but officials barred the way, so I rushed into the paddock where my mechanics put the fire out in seconds."

Peter Warr, the team director, as livid with the stewards' decision. "Apparently they thought Senna should have driven towards a fire tender instead, but they conveniently ignored the fact that there was a tall wire fence barring his way." According to the rule book there can be no appeal against the fine – an extraordinary situation.

The fight for the world championship between Alain Prost and Michele Alboreto (joint leaders with 50 points) favours Prost, whose McLaren-Tag is still on top form, whereas the Ferraris are trouble. Alboreto suffered another engine failure and he and Stefan Johansson are complaining of lack of traction over the bumpy parts of the track.

Andrea de Cesaris, the Ligier driver, has been told by Guy Ligier that this will be his last Grand Prix with the team. Last weekend de Cesaris survived a high-speed accident in Austria, the latest in a long line in the Italian driver's career.

PRACTICE TIMES: 1, N Piquet (Br) Olivetti Brabham-BMW 1m 11.074s, 139.825 mph; 2, K Rosberg (Fin) Williams-Honda 1.11.647; 3, A Prost (Fr) Marlboro-McLaren-TAG 1.11.801; 4, Ayrton Senna (Br) JPS Lotus-Renault 1.11.837; 5, T Fabi (It) Benetton Toleman-Hart 1.12.310; 6, P Tambay (Fr) Renault ELF 1.12.466; 7, N Mansell (GB) Williams-Honda 1.12.614; 8, T Boutsen (Bel) Barclay Arrows-BMW 1.12.746; 9, M Surer (Switz) Olivetti Brabham-BMW 1.12.856; 10, N Lauda (Austria) Marlboro McLaren-TAG 1.13.059; 11, E de Angelis (It) JPS Lotus-Renault 1.13.078; 12, D Warwick (GB) Renault ELF 1.13.289; 13, J Laffite (Fr) Gitanes Ligier-Renault 1.13.435; 14, G Berger (Austria) Barclay Arrows-BMW 1.13.680; 15, P Ghinzani (It) Benetton Toleman-Hart 1.13.705; 16, M Alboreto (It) Ferrari 1.13.725; 17, S Johansson (Swe) Ferrari 1.13.768; 18, A de Cesaris (It) Gitanes Ligier-Renault 1.13.797; 19, Riccardo Patrese (It) Benetton Alfa Romeo 1.14.240; 20, E Cheever (US) Benetton Alfa Romeo 1.14.912; 21, M Brundle (GB) Tyrrell-Renault 1.14.920; 22, S Bellof (WG) Tyrrell-Renault 1.15.236; 23, J Palmer (GB) West Zakspeed 1.16.257; 24, Pierluigi Martini (It) Minardi Minardi Modena 1.17.919; 25, P Alliot (Fr) Skoal Bandit RAM-Hart 1.18.525; 26, H Rothengatter (Neth) Kelemata Osella-Alfa Romeo 1.18.410; 27, K Acheson (GB) Skoal Bandit RAM-Hart 1.20.429.



Clydebank ready for Celtic

By Hugh Taylor

Confident forecasts by Clydebank that they will make all-out aggression their policy against Celtic and by Rangers that they will attract the biggest crowd of the season so far for their match with Heart of Midlothian reflect new buoyancy in Scottish football.

The newly-promoted Clydebank are the surprise packets of the premier division, having scored 11 goals in their past two matches. They believe that on their own tight, little Kilbowie Park they can beat Celtic if they persist in attacking. For the first time this season, Celtic field their captain, the veteran McGrain, and this may give confidence to a defence which has been devoid of consistency so far.

Confidence oozes at Ibrox, where the supporters are so delighted with the sparkling form of the rejuvenated Rangers that an attendance of around 35,000 is expected to watch them play Hearts.

Victory for Rangers would equal their best start in the premier division, that of 10 years ago, when they went on to lift the treble of League, Scottish Cup and League Cup.

Aberdeen should not be too worried by Motherwell at Pittodrie.

Bradford must switch again

Bradford City's second division home match against Stoke City which had been provisionally fixed for the city's Rugby League ground tomorrow week cannot be played here, while speedway is being held at Odsal, the pitch measurements are too small and will not meet league standards for second division matches.

Bradford have arranged with Leeds United for the Stoke game to be played at Elland Road on Sept 1. The home game against Fulham on Sept 10 will be played at Huddersfield or Leeds.

Worthington keeping his licence to thrill

Simon Barnes

Every year, the most unwelcome event of August is the premature return of the football season, treading on the summer's heels, interrupting the cricket, and reminding us of everything we would prefer to forget: chilled bones, frozen feet, and all the attendant miseries of winter. And this season, that sense of depression is almost overwhelming.

But there is good cheer, even if it takes some looking for. For Frank Worthington has been appointed player-manager of Tranmere Rovers: life and football cannot be all bad if Frank is still around. Worthington: ace of many clubs, dazzling, skilled, Presley quiff, showbiz nature, briefly an England player under Joe Mercer, but largely a great talent wasted. But always, a talent to amuse.

Worthington is not, then, the sort to give you the usual stuff that bows the head in despair at every summer's end – all the tosh about giving 110 per cent and at the end of the day. Brian, it's all about results. At the end of Frank's day, football is all about beauty. He has worn his video of Pele's greatest goals almost transparent.

"I want the players to look forward to training. I want them to feel the pleasure of being out there. Because this is the greatest game in the world, and we're getting paid for playing it. That is the greatest feeling there is. I want football to be the pleasure it was meant to be. I want players to see what I am trying to do. . . . I want them to play *football*."

Worthington says the word "football" in two different ways. When he says "football", he is referring to it as a game, like handball, or volleyball, or korfball. But when he says "*football*" he means something else: he means "football, blessed be the name". *Football* is a faith and Worthington is a great man for keeping the faith. "I don't want to keep the ball and shut up shop and puff eight or ten men back. I want them to be seen to be producing *football*".

The kind of deliberately planned kick-and-rush stuff that gets result is anathema to him; he finds it is almost physically painful to discuss. He wants his side to "do things the right way". He wants in short, to keep the faith.

It doesn't actually mean that Tranmere Rovers are about to become a team of ballet dancers: "a luxury player is one who plays for himself and not for the team. I learned not to be a luxury player. I found the right balance: I learned not just to express myself on the ball but to harness my efforts for the team. That was the essential difference between Rodney Marsh and me."

Worthington's elevation to a manager's job is seen by many as a good joke, a classic transformation from poacher to gamekeeper: an example of the Prince Hal Syndrome: the rackety lad becoming an establishment man. But Worthington will not. I feel, look at his Pele video in a year's time and say: "I know the lot, old man".

"You want the right mixture of artists and artisans," he said, "but in English football, there is a fear of skill, a love of safety-first to the detriment of the artist. That's the wrong way round. You want skill and quality and class – and there are no substitutes."

Actually, there are plenty of substitutes – if what you are looking for at the end of the day is a result, Brian. If all you want from life is points, there are plenty of ways of fudging it. But that's not *football*, is it? and in that area, there are no substitutes for Frank Worthingtons. Down at Tranmere Rovers, they are keeping the faith. "Nothing like class, is there?" Worthington said.

Sponsors should enable us to live in style

SIDELINES
Gordon Allan

I hesitate to raise the subject of sponsors again. They get enough publicity as it is. But you cannot avoid them for long – to adapt a saying of my fathers', you can hardly fall out of a window without landing on a sponsor – and, in any case, you have to admit they do a lot of good in sport.

I wrote this article with a pen presented to me by a sponsor, and I look forward to the day when I will be able to say that I typed its successors with a typewriter presented by a sponsor. At the moment, as far as I am aware from limited experience, sponsors do not hand out bulky and expensive equipment to the gentlemen of the press. They give us things like pens and ties and notebooks and leather cases, usually at elegant functions where they ply us also with food and drink and information.

When I say they, I mean some of them. Not all sponsors are generous and helpful. A few would be invisible if they did not have their names added to whatever they sponsor. They keep the Press less at arm's length than at bargepole's length. But in the main sponsors are feindly people who do their best to understand a newspapermans simple needs.

That brings me to a suggestion I want to make to sponsors in general. I hinted at it when I said that I looked forward to typing my articles with a machine given me by a sponsor. Briefly, and to be perfectly honest and brutally frank and unashamedly materialistic; and, further, not to beat around the bush, I would like sponsors to be twice – no, fifty times – as lavish as they are now.

Pens and ties and notebooks are all right in their way, but it is a small way. As is well known, we in the fourth estate value style beyond almost any other quality, and we wish to point out that although pens and ties are useful, and we are grateful for them, they lack style as we conceive it. It is a not a question of size alone. It is a question of – how shall I express it? – well, style. There is no other word.

No more ties and pens, then. Journalists could stock a shop with those. Besides, we often get them, along with handkerchiefs, at birthdays and Christmas, when our loved ones cannot think of anything else for presents. What we would like sponsors to do with their spare thousands is to give us clothes and cars and houses. On those terms we would count it a privilege to turn ourselves into perambulating advertisements for sponsors.

I for one can see myself tailored from head to toe by nice sponsors, and provided by them with a flat in town and a house in the country, and a chauffeur-driven car, not only to travel between the two, but also to take me to sporting events. The tailoring would include everything, even socks; the flat and the house would be fully furnished; and the car a model of my own choice, big enough, like that of the old-fashioned girl in Eartha Kitt's song, to have a bowling alley in the back.

I do not consider this too much to ask.

Argentina tour consolation for All Blacks

Wellington (Reuter) – The New Zealand All Blacks will make a seven-match tour of Argentina in October and November as a replacement for the July and August tour of South Africa which was prohibited by a High Court injunction.

After that tour was called off, the New Zealand Rugby Football Union sought an immediate tour of Argentina, but officials there could not arrange suitable stadiums at that time.

The All Blacks' squad will be the same as the one selected to tour South Africa, with the possible exception of Andy Dalton, the captain, whose farming commitments may prevent him from touring. The team will play two internationals against the Argentinian Pumas at Buenos Aires and are also expected to play at Mendoza, Rosario and Cordoba.

CRICKET, FOOTBALL AND OTHER WEEKEND FIXTURES

Kick-off 3.0 unless stated

First division
Arsenal v Manchester United
Aston Villa v QPR
Chelsea v Birmingham City
Everton v Coventry City
Ipswich Town v Tottenham
Manchester City v Sheffield Wed
Newcastle United v Liverpool
Nottingham Forest v Southampton
Oxford United v Leicester City
Watford v West Bromwich
West Ham United v Luton Town

GOLA LEAGUE: Altrincham v Kettering; Bath v Northwich; Boston v Nuneaton; Cheltenham v Maidstone; Frickley v Enfield; Kidderminster v Dagenham; Scarborough v Dartford; Stafford v Weymouth; Telford v Barnet; Wealdstone v Barrow; Wycombe v Runcorn.
VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Billericay v Wokingham; Bishop's Stortford v Harrow; Bognor Regis v Hitchin; Carshalton v Barking; Croydon v Worthing; Famborough v Sutton; Hayes v Yeovil; Hendon v Kingstonian; Tooting and Mitcham v Slough; Walthamstow v Epsom and Ewell; Windsor and Eton v Dulwich Hamlet. First divisions: Boreham Wood v Harlow; Grays v Basildon; Leatherhead v Staines; Oxford City v Finchley; Wembley v Aveley. Second division: Marlo: Chesham v Saffron Walden; Letchworth GC v Berkhamsted; Tring v Vauxhall Motors; Ware v Heybridge Swifts. Second division, South: Banstead v Merlow; Hungerford v Molesey; Metropolitan Police v Woking; Petersfield v Feltham; Ruislip Manor v Bracknell.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Alfreton v Appleby Frodingham; Armthorpe Welfare v Dinnington; Bentley Victoria v Lotig Eaton; Pontefract Collieries v Sutton Town.
MIDLAND LEAGUE: Bangor v Workington; Barrow v Southport; Chorley v Gainsborough; Goole v Macclesfield; Harwich v Wakefield; Marine v Burton; Matlock v South Liverpool; Mossley v Morecambe; Oswestry v Hyde; Witton v Gateshead.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Alvechurch v Chelmsford; Basingstoke v Andover; Cheltenham v Bath; Chesham v Gloucester; Dorchester v Trowbridge; Hastings v Bromsgrove; Moor Green v Redditch; VS Rugby v Hednesford. Southern division: Andover v Cambridge City; Corinthian v Wasperton; Dunstable v Canterbury City; Salisbury v Ruislip.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Manchester United v Aston Villa (2.0).
FOOTBALL COMBINATION (2.0): Birmingham v Bristol Rovers; Luton v Chelsea; Norwich v Reading; Southampton v Crystal Palace (3.0); Swansea v Watford; Swindon v Ipswich (2.30).
IRISH LEAGUE: Lombard Ulster Cup (2.30): Ards v Chimney Corner; Coleraine v Crusaders; Distillery v Bangor; Glentoran v Glenavon; Larne v Carrick; Linfield v Cliftonville; Newry v Dundela; Portadown v Ballymena.
FA CUP: Preliminary round: Ferryhill v West Auckland; Bridlington Trinity v Netherfield; Farsley Celtic v Seaham CW; Langley Park Welfare v Horden CW; Sherwood v Crook; Ashington v Durham; Eppleton CW v Yorkshire Amateurs; Leicester v Willington; Shildon v Esh Winning; Easington Colliery v Billingham; Thackley v Fleetwood; Garforth v Northallerton; Norton and Stockton v Shotton Colliery; Rossendale v Guisley; Accrington Stanley v Derwen; Chedderton v Ashton; Emley v Belper; Nantwich v Glossop; Warrington v Eastwood; Carnforth v Congleton.

Second division
Barnsley v Stoke City
Blackburn Rovers v Shrewsbury
Brighton v Bradford City
Crystal Palace v Sunderland
Grimsby Town v Charlton
Leeds United v Hull City
Middlesbrough v Fulham
Millwall v Norwich City
Oldham Athletic v Huddersfield
Portsmouth v Carlisle United
Sheffield United v Wimbledon

Corby: Bedworth v Fareham; Crawley v Dudley; Fisher v Aylesbury; Gravesend and Northfleet v Witney; King's Lynn v RS Southampton; Welling v Shepshed Charterhouse, Worcester v Gosport.
Midland division: Bilston v Merthyr; Gloucester City v Stourbridge; Leicester United v Bridgenorth; Mile Oak v Bromsgrove; Moor Green v Redditch; VS Rugby v Hednesford.
Southern division: Andover v Cambridge City; Corinthian v Wasperton; Dunstable v Canterbury City; Salisbury v Ruislip.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Manchester United v Aston Villa (2.0).
FOOTBALL COMBINATION (2.0): Birmingham v Bristol Rovers; Luton v Chelsea; Norwich v Reading; Southampton v Crystal Palace (3.0); Swansea v Watford; Swindon v Ipswich (2.30).
IRISH LEAGUE: Lombard Ulster Cup (2.30): Ards v Chimney Corner; Coleraine v Crusaders; Distillery v Bangor; Glentoran v Glenavon; Larne v Carrick; Linfield v Cliftonville; Newry v Dundela; Portadown v Ballymena.
FA CUP: Preliminary round: Ferryhill v West Auckland; Bridlington Trinity v Netherfield; Farsley Celtic v Seaham CW; Langley Park Welfare v Horden CW; Sherwood v Crook; Ashington v Durham; Eppleton CW v Yorkshire Amateurs; Leicester v Willington; Shildon v Esh Winning; Easington Colliery v Billingham; Thackley v Fleetwood; Garforth v Northallerton; Norton and Stockton v Shotton Colliery; Rossendale v Guisley; Accrington Stanley v Derwen; Chedderton v Ashton; Emley v Belper; Nantwich v Glossop; Warrington v Eastwood; Carnforth v Congleton.

Third division
Blackpool v Notts County
Bournemouth v Bristol City
Bristol Rovers v Brentford
Bury v York City (3.15)
Cardiff City v Chesterfield
Doncaster Rovers v Bolton
Gillingham v Darlington
Plymouth Argyle v Reading
Rotherham United v Lincoln City
Walsall v Swansea City
Wigan Athletic v Derby County
Wolverhampton v Newport County

Leek v Armitage; Colwyn Bay v Leyland Motors; Ilkeston v Lincoln United; Radcliffe v North Ferriby; Hoanor v Boldmere; St Michael (at Baldmere); Arnold v Shifnal (at Eastwood); Spalding v Coventry Sporting; Oldswinford v Highgate United; Greasley v Friar Lane OB; Desborough v Oldbury; Boston v Atherstone; Lye v Sutton Coldfield (at Sutton); Paget v Rushall Olympic; Wellingborough v Wigston Fields; Stevenage v Leamington; Bilkenhall v Tamworth.

Rothwell v Hemel Hempstead; Holbeach v Rushden; Royston v March; Sudbury v Tiptree; Chatteris v Newmarket; Stowmarket v Blackwell Heath; Histon v Solihull; Chatteris; St Peter v Banbury; Lowestoft v Bury; Great Yarmouth v Burnham and Hillingdon; Wootton Blue Cross v Woodford; St Albans v Wolverton; Barton v Chesham; Harwich and Parkeston v Haddesdon; Hertford v Harefield.

Hampton v Chertsey; Chatham v Southall; Uxbridge v Corinthian-Casuals; Clapton v Leytonstone/Ilford; Edgware v Erith and Belvedere; Croydenhill v Hounslow; Kingsbury v Leyton/Wingate; Fleet v Sheppey; Tilbury v Maidenhead United (at Aveley); Rainham v Littlehampton; Thanet v Chichester; Casuberley v Bromley; Hailsham v Dorking; Ringmer v Whitstable; Horley v Walton and Horsham; Three Bridges v Lewes; Tonbridge v Horsham; Hastings Town v Burgess Hill; Horsham YMCA v Whyteleafe; Eastbourne United v Dover; Deal v Southwick; Lancing v Hythe; Ashford v Faversham.

Fourth division
Aldershot v Exeter City
Hartlepool United v Crewe
Hereford United v Swindon Town
Peterborough v Chester
Port Vale v Mansfield Town
Torquay United v Rochdale
Wrexham v Colchester United

Hardean v Calne; Devizes v Pegham; Brockenhurst v Warminster; Newbury v Melksham; Totton v Shoting Sports; Bristol Manor Farm v Chard; Bridgend v Poole; Wimborne v Weston-super-Mare; Walton v Mangotsfield United; Maesteg Park v Forest Green Rovers, Dorchester v Clandown; Llanelli v Minehead; Saltash v Barnstaple; Shortwood v Sharpness; St Blazey v Shepton Mallet; Glastonbury v Exmouth; Cinry St Mary v Torrington.

DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Bedlington Terriers v Hartlepool; Chester-Le-Street v Blyth Spartans; Consett v North Shields; Gretna v Whitby; Ryhope v Bishop Auckland; Spennymoor v South Bank (3.15); Tow Law v Billingham Synthonia; Whitley Bay v Brandon.
BUILDING SCENE EASTERN LEAGUE: Braintree v Ely; Clacton v Haverhill; Colchester United Reserves v Thetford; Gorleston v Bramham; Wisbech v Felixstowe.
UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier Division: Baldock v Bourne; Brackley v Arnpthill; Buckingham v St and L; Corby; Irthlingborough Diamonds v Eynesbury; Raunds v St Neots; Stamford v Long Buckby; Stotfold v Potton.
HALLS BREWERY HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier Division: Abingdon United v Amondsbury Greenway; Abingdon Town v Rayners Lane; Morston v Maidenhead; Supermarine v Morris Motors; Thame v Fairford; Wantage v Pegasus Juniors; Yate v Wallingford.
SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE (11.0): First division: Arsenal v Charlton; Cambridge v Norwich; Fulham v Watford; Ipswich v Southend; Millwall v QPR; Orient v Gillingham; West Ham v Chelsea. Second division: Bournemouth v Brentford; Colchester v Crystal Palace; Reading v Oxford; Southend v Luton; Swindon v Southampton; Wimbledon v Brighton.

Scottish premier division
Aberdeen v Motherwell
Clydebank v Celtic
Dundee United v Dundee
Hibernian v St Mirren
Rangers v Hearts

Scottish first division
Airdrieonians v Partick Thistle
Clyde v Brechin City
Dumbarton v Alloa Athletic
East Fife v Morton
Falkirk v Montrose
Forfar Athletic v Ayr United
Kilmarnock v Hamilton

Scottish second division
Berwick v Arbroath
Cowdenbeath v Raith Rovers
Queen's Park v Dunfermline
St Johnstone v Queen of South
Stenhousemuir v Albion Rovers
Stirling Albion v Meadowbank
Stranraer v East Stirling

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Leicestershire
HOVE: Sussex v Middlesex
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Worcestershire

CRICKET
Tour Match (11.0-6.30)
CANTERBURY: Kent v Australians
Britannic Assurance County Championship (11.0-6.30)
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Surrey
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Yorkshire
BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v Gloucestershire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Somerset

TOMORROW
Tour Match (11.00-6.30)
CANTERBURY: Kent v Australians
John Player special league (1.30–6.30)
HEANOR: Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Yorkshire
BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v Gloucestershire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Somerset
GUILDFORD: Surrey v Northamptonshire
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Warwickshire
WARWICK U-25 FINAL: Edgbaston: Kent v Warwickshire
UFI COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Southill Park: Bedfordshire v Suffolk. St Austell: Cornwall v Wiltshire. Amersham: Buckinghamshire v Berkshire.

RUGBY LEAGUE
CHARITY SHIELD: Hull KR v Wigan (Isle of Man).
OTHER MATCH: Cumbria v Great Britain (3.30, Workington).

OTHER SPORT
CRICKET: Northern Championships (Bowdon). Cheltenham Weekend Tournament; Hurlingham Weekend Tournament.
GOLF: Youths championships (Garton). Scottish Professional championships (Dalmahoy).
SWIMMING: ASA championships (Leeds).
EQUESTRIANISM: SA Cup Derby (Hickstead).
BOWLS: Middleton Cup (Wrotham).
SURFING: Fosters Masters (Newquay).
SPEEDWAY: British League: Coventry v Swindon (7.30); King's Lynn v Ipswich (7.30); Halifax v Cradley Heath (7.30); Belle Vue v Sheffield (7.30). National League: Canterbury v Eastbourne (7.00). OPEN: Berwick (7.00).

ATHLETICS

Aouita takes off on last lap to beat Cram's world 1,500m record

From Pat Butcher
West Berlin

Said Aouita, of Morocco, broke Steve Cram's world 1,500 metres record with 3 minutes 29.45 seconds here in the Olympic Stadium last night. As he did in Zurich on Wednesday Aouita virtually ran the whole of the last lap by himself. Then he was just outside Cram's world mile record but last night he was 0.22 seconds inside Cram's 1,500 metres best.

It was evident from his second place, just 0.04 seconds behind Cram's 1,500 metres world record in Nice on July 16 that the Moroccan was soon going to challenge for the Briton's record. He relieved David Moorcroft of the world 5,000 metres record in Oslo on July 27 the same night that Cram set the mile record. Now Aouita has completely justified all the British fears by breaking Cram's record so soon.

Aouita followed pacemakers Volker Blumenthal and Frank O'Mara through 56.80 seconds for 400 metres and 1 minute 53.41 seconds for 800 metres. The Irish international O'Mara than took over as he had done in Zurich on Wednesday for Aouita, and took the Moroccan up to the 1,200 metres in 2 minutes 48.48 seconds. Aouita then took off 30 metres ahead of the group, led by American Sydney Maree, and with that characteristic head rolling style reduced Cram to being a double world record holder by taking 0.22sec off the Englishman's time.

Jarmila Kratochvilova, the world record holder, and Doina Melinte, the Olympic champion, are having a battle royal at the top of the Mobil Grand Prix 800 metres rankings. Mrs Melinte became the first woman to beat the Czechoslovak in a two-lap race in Stockholm six weeks ago, and then did the trick again two days later in Helsinki.


Aouita: two records

Miss Kratochvilova went on to win the European Cup race in Moscow last weekend, then edged ahead of Mrs Melinte in Zurich on Wednesday, only to find another Romanian, Fita Lovin, sprint past her on the line. But the Czechoslovak manifested her enormous strength, when after a long season during which she has run consistently well, she won a slower tactical race last night.

Miss Kratochvilova, Mrs Melinte and Miss Lovin swept past Britain's Kirsty McDermott in the last hundred metres. Miss Kratochvilova won in 1min 58.38 sec and now has 39 points, one point less than Mrs Melinte, towards the Grand Prix final in Rome on September 7. Miss McDermott, although fifth, now lies fourth in the rankings with 27 points.

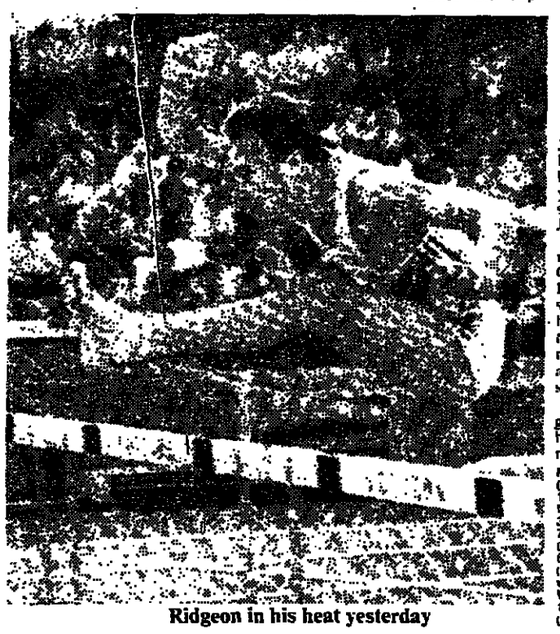
East Germany's Petra Felke is again close to her world record form in the javelin. She threw 74.56 metres last night, and is evidently still in the sort of form that is going to cause Britain's Fatima Whitbread a lot of problems in the World Cup in Canberra in October.

The two sprints provided some excellent competition. Harking back to his feat in the Berlin Olympics of 1936, the Jesse Owens sprint was won by Poland's Marian Woronin in 10.20 seconds in front of East Germany's Steffen Bringmann in 10.22. But the women's race was even closer. Alice Brown just won the verdict in 11.06 seconds, with Merlene Ottey-Page, Marina Gieawa and Florence Griffith, all on 11.07.

Maricica Puica, of Romania, had a relatively easy time in winning the 3,000 metres in 8 minutes 47.72 seconds. After Mary Slaney had dropped out of the race with an injured leg, the organizers wanted Mrs Puica to attempt a world 2,000 metres best. But she demurred, preferring a more gentle 3,000 metres before confronting Mrs Slaney again over 1,500 metres in Cologne tomorrow.

Ovett's switch

Steve Ovett has decided to defend his world two-miles record against Steve Cram rather than run the 1,500 metres in the McVitie's Challenge match at Crystal Palace on Monday. Ovett checked with officials yesterday that Cram was still in the race, then said "I'll have a go at him, I need a fast race and Steve is certain to give me one."


Ridgeon in his heat yesterday

Britain add to gold tally

Cottbus, East Germany (AFP). – Jon Ridgeon, a schoolboy from Newmarket, won the 110 metres hurdles in record-breaking time here yesterday as Britain collected its second gold medal of the European Junior Championships.

Ridgeon, who crashed to the floor in the English Championships at Crystal Palace last month, won in a European junior record and personal best of 13.46 sec. – one hundredth of a second faster than the East German, Holger Pohland ran three years ago. Another English athlete, Colin Jackson took the silver in 13.69.

Later John Hill added another gold for Britain when he took the high jump with a clearance of 2.24 metres.

RESULTS: Men: 110 hurdles: 1, J Ridgeon (GB) 13.46 (record); 2, C Jackson (GB), 13.69. 1,500m: 1, M Maskola (Fin), 3min 44.99sec; 2, N Horsfield (GB), 3:45.39; 4, N Hopkins (GB), 3.46 30. Hammer: 1, A Abduvakyev (USSR), 72 44m; 7, A Tolputt (GB), 61.42m; 8, G Halpin (Ire), 61.32m. High jump: 1, J Hill (GB), 2.24m; 6, D Grant (GB), 2.18m. Long jump: 1, V Mal (EG), 7.99m; 9, B Nevison (GB), 7.15m. 10km walk: 1, M Steshenkov (USSR) 42:00.83. Women: 100m hurdles: 1, M Ewenje-Epee (Fr), 13 10; 5, L Sheet (GB), 13.51. Shot: 1, B Libera (EG) 18 75m; 9, M Anderson (GB), 14.50m.

BOWLS


Golden bowl: Ron Keating on his way to victory at Worthing yesterday (Photograph: Frank Baron).

Artistry of Keating too fine for Gass

By Gordon Allan

Playing with a set of bowls given to him by his family last Christmas, Ron Keating, aged 45, of the Plymouth Civil Service Club, won the Gateway English national singles championship at Worthing yesterday. He beat Ron Gass, age 41, of Wigton, Cumbria, 21-8 in a final lasting one and a half hours and 18 ends.

Keating lives at Saltash, Cornwall, and works in the Devonport dockyard, having moved there from Kent when the Chatham dockyard closed. He played for Kent in the Middleton Cup (county championship) and, in 1974, on his only other appearance in the national singles at Worthing, lost in the first round to Tom Wilkinson, the eventual runner-up to Bill Irish.

He is the first player from Devon to win this title since R. Hodge (Torrington), H. P. Webber (Plymouth) and R. Jack (Plymouth) in 1924, 1925 and 1926 respectively.

Gass, a boilerman with a physique to match – in marked contrast to the small, dark Keating – has had an outdoor trial for Scotland (he comes from Annan, Dumfriesshire) and an indoor trial for England. He has played at Worthing before but that experience was of no avail against Keating, whose line and length were admirable as they had been throughout the championship. Gass found he could do nothing to throw Keating off his game. "I was outgunned," Gass said.

On the last end, Cass fired and missed four times because Keating put his first bowl on the jack and his second, a toucher, in the ditch. That was how it had been for most of the match – Cass pushed into tight corners by his opponent's relentless accuracy.

Having surprised a few people by beating Roy Cutts in the quarter-finals, Matt Davies seemed to become tentative in the semi-finals and lost 21-13 to Keating. Davies is 23 and comes from a club, Hinckley, who produced one of the handful of players to have won this title more than once – W. F. Wade in 1923 and 1930. Davies led Keating 10-6 and then lost his touch. He will be heard of again, no doubt.

SINGLES: Quarter-finals: M Davies (Hinckley) 21, R Cutts (Marlborough Ipswich) 16, R Keating (Plymouth Civil Service) 21, D Baker (Norton, Durham) 18; R Cass (Wigton) 21, A Holmes (Kettering Lodge) 12; W Firby (St Andrew s, Weston-super-Mare) 21, A Entwistle (St Neots) 13.
Semi-finals: Keating 21, Davies 13; Cass 21, Firby 17
Final: Keating 21 Cass 8

EQUESTRIANISM

Skelton will ride off into the sunset

By Jenny MacArthur

Nick Skelton, the most successful show jumper of his generation and winner of the team gold medal at last month's European championship, is to leave his trainer and mentor, Ted Edgar of the Everest Stud in Warwickshire at the end of the year. Announcing the split yesterday which follows six months of acrimony, said: "I am 28 and I've got to make a life for myself on my own some time and I might as well do it now while I am on top."

He will part company with the Edgars after the Olympia show in December and establish himself on his 14 acre property in Lowsonford, Warwickshire where stables are now being built. He doesn't yet know if he will keep any of the horses he currently rides.

It is a brave move by the Warwickshire-born rider whose 12 years with Edgar have produced the most successful British trainer/rider partnership ever. Skelton, burst upon the show jumping scene at Olmympia in 1978, when, riding Lastic, he cleared 7 feet 7½ inches, breaking the British high jump record which had stood for 41 years. Since then he has won nearly every big show jumping event, his most successful horse being Mr Terry Clemence's St James.

Recently he has also formed a successful partnership with Mrs Linda Jones' Apollo. Asked whether he would keep the ride on these two horses Skelton said: "I don't know ... it's up to the owners." Mr Clemence, when asked yesterday about St James' future, said: "I'm leaning towards Nick."

Skelton added that he would be "forever grateful" to Liz and Ted Edgar. "I don't think that you'll find a better man in the world to train horses." Edgar was, until recently always on hand to guide Skelton at the main events. He was, however, conspicuous by his absence at the European championships where Skelton eventually finished fourth although taking longer than usual to hit top form.


Skelton: brave move

Skelton has been on a retainer and paid a wage at the Everest Stud. Asked whether he'd be better off going solo Skelton, who turned professional in 1982, said, "Possibly".

Mr Edgar said yesterday that things has not been the same between him and Skelton since Goteborg in April where the two had a fierce row over training procedures for the World Cup event in which Skelton was the eventual runner-up. "I never forgive and I never forget," Edgar said, adding, "But it is time he was having to make his own way."

Edgar said he didn't know about Apollo and St James but "the other horses he certainly won't get ... I'd rather be losing Skelton than two or three good horses." Edgar has a good second stable rider in Geoff Lockett, and Maria, his 14 year-old daughter, is also now riding horses.

Despite his harsh words Edgar, when asked how he rated Skelton said: "He is the greatest in the world – you can't take that away from him".

Whitaker is a cut above the rest

Michael Whitaker proved that the nine year-old Warren Point is none the worse after his heroic efforts at the European championship last month when he won yesterday's Silk Cut Derby Trial at Hickstead. Jenny MacArthur writes

The horse owned by Mr John Roberts and leased to the Next Team was only grade B in February and Whitaker was afraid that the three gruelling rounds in France last month where he helped Britain win the team gold medal might have affected him. It proved otherwise. The horse jumped two effortless clear rounds yesterday to finish half a second ahead of the runners-up Nick Skelton on Everest St James.

Whitaker said he did not know whether Warren Point would compete in tomorrow's Derby. "I'll have to talk to Mr Roberts – it might be that the Derbs bank and some of the other obstacles would be too much for him." Skelton has no such fears with his two horses and with his second horse Everest Apollo finishing eleventh yesterday he chances of a first Derby win look good.

Fifty four horses competed in yesterday's class of which nine reached the jump off including David Broome on Queenswalk Royale who had one fence down and took sixth place. Paul Schockemöhle on Deister one of the favourites for tomorrow's Derby also had four faults to take eighth place.

John Whitaker's Ryan's Son failed to reach the jump off after hitting the fence before the water and then putting a foot in the water.

RESULTS: Silk Cut Derby Trial: 1, Warren Point (M Whitaker) 0 in 45 78sec; 2, Everest St James (N Skelton) 0 in 47 33; 3, Nic (D Bowen) 0 in 56 63. Silk Cut Speed Stakes: 1, My Lucky Maywood (L Brayden) 0 in 53 58; 2, Baileys Argonaut (J Kernan, Ire) 0 in 54 16; 3, Hennessy Liberty Hill (K Bacon, Aus) 0 in 54 61.

Holgate defies fracture to defend title

By a Special Correspondent

Virginia Holgate, will compete with her left arm in a splint at the Barratt Scottish Horse Trial championships starting today at Thirkestake Castle, Lauder. The Olympic bronze medal winner sustained a hairline fracture of the same arm which she damaged severely several years ago in a recent fall at a Windsor horse trial.

Miss Holgate competes on Murphy Himself, and also Nightcap, on whom she won these championships last year. She saves Priceless for the European championships in two weeks time.

Lucinda Green has thdrawn Shannagh following a recent fall with her "over fresh" prospective European partner, Regal Realm, and has elected to rest her bruised shoulder in preparation for the European championship.

The selectors will be keeping their fingers crossed for the other members of the British contingent who are competing on different horses here this weekend and who include the Scotland-based Ian Stark, who rides last year's novice winner, Glenburnie, and Charlie Brown in the open and Yarrow in the novice. Lorna Clarke, who partners Dan Ville and Glen Troo, and Clarissa Strachan with Stormy Down.

Rachel Bayliss, who willbe defending her European title, rides Alfie, with whom she had a fall at Locko Park recently.

YACHTING

Apricot can multiply her fruits of success

By Barry Pickthall

The TAG Round Europe multihull race, which has proved something of a destruction derby for many of the competitors, resumed peacefully yesterday when 14 of the original 21 multihulls set out from Lorient on the second half of this 3,000-mile race from Kiel to Porto Cervo, Sardinia.

One of the few boats to have beaten the weather – and in doing so their rivals – on each of the first four stages has been the 60-foot British trimaran, Apricot, skippered by Tony Bullimore, crewed by Nigel Irens, which now holds a significant lead in class two. This wing-masted craft, designed and built by Irens near Bristol, is now judged by her competitors as being a significant advance in multihull design, particularly after the third leg from Zeebrugg to Torquay, when she was second across the finish line well ahead of seven much larger class-one craft.

So far Apricot's team, which includes Jeff Houlgrave and the American multihull expert, Walter Green have earned £2,500 in prize money – a sum that would double if their success continues on the remaining legs to Lisbon, Benalmadena, Toulon and Porto Cervo.

Leading class one at this stage is the 75-foot Olier-designed catamaran, Credit Agricole, skippered by Philippe Jeantot, followed by Francois Boucher's foiler, Ker Cadelac, and Jet Services, sailed by the Atlantic record-holder, Patrick Morvan. The dismasting of Pierre Le Maout's catamaran, Mc Allan Festival de Lorient, at the start of the fourth leg from Torquay leaves only two competitors in class three.

LAWN-TENNIS: Anne Simkin, of Leicester, and Teresa Carlin of Cambridge who last week contested the British 16-and-under final are to meet to decide the Prudential 18-and-under grass court championships at Eastbourne today.

Lighter touch pays off for Bleasby pair

Karen and Jon Bleasby, from Toronto, won the seventh race of the International 14 World Championships at Kingston, Canada. In light and variable conditions, which suited them with their "lightweight" technique, the couple move up from eighth to sixth overall.

Second in the race was Frank McLaughlin, crewed by John Millen, who represented Canada in the 470 class at the Olympics.

RACE 7: 1, K and J Bleasby (Royal Canadian YC), 2, F McLaughlin, J Millen (RCYC); 3, S Treissman (RCYC). Overall: 1, J and H Kidd 34 pts; 2, W Henderson and Grant 42.4; 3, J Hadley and I Tiles 45.7.

● Jeremy Davy, of Weston and Draycott Water SC sailed a finely-judged seventh race in the Lombard British Open and National Optimist championship on Southampton water to beat Richard Pye (also of Draycott Water).

7TH RACE: 1, J Davy; 2, R Pye (both Weston and Draycott); 3, G Miller (Rutland); 4, J Andrew (Bowl Valley); 5, S Boret (Walton); 6, G Kibble (Wentwood). Overall: 1, Davy, 2, Andrew; 3, Baker (Brampton).

CRICKET

Bainbridge is back to help county leaders

Phil Bainbridge, the Gloucestershire vice captain, who broke a finger against Leicestershire a fortnight ago, returns for the county championship leaders who meet Hampshire at Bournemouth today.

Gloucester, who poached an eight point advantage over Middlesex by beating Warwickshire on Tuesday, again prefer young Tony Wright to Paul Romaines as opening partner to Andy Stovold. Bainbridge comes in for Ian Payne, the former Surrey all rounder.

Hampshire, who for the sixth time failed to overcome the semi-final barrier in the two main knock-out competitions when losing to Essex in the NatWest Trophy at Southampton, must win to have a realistic hope of carrying off the championship.

A midweek second eleven bowling return of 6-35 by Steve Andrew wins him a place in the Hampshire team in preference to Cardigan Connor, while Paul Terry, opening batsman, has passed a fitness test on a hand injury.

Middlesex have their four current Test players available for the traditional Bank holiday match with Sussex at Hove and Simon Hughes retains the third pace bowling position with Neil Williams as twelfth man.

Surrey, with only three games remaining, will be out of contention if they fail to beat Essex at Chelmsford. No easy assignment this even though Tony Gray, their last bowler, is in match winning form.

Graham Monkhouse, seam bowler, is out with a back injury and Jack Richards, wicketkeeper, is still troubled by a nose injury. Alec Stewart will be behind the stumps if Richards fails a morning fitness test.

● COLOMBO: Dilip Vengsarkar steered India out of a precarious position with a polished century that ensured a draw in the opening match of their cricket tour against the Sri Lanka Colts XI yesterday.

HOCKEY

England to play on in mourning

From Sydney Friskin
Vancouver

England face Argentina today in the play-off series of the junior world cup tournament despite the death of Ronnie Grove, the president of the Hockey Association after a boating accident here on Thursday. The England team contemplated withdrawing from the tournament, but decided to play on the insistence of Mr Grove's wife, Pamela, in London.

The sympathetic Argentinian team were prepared to postpone the match if England wished. England are involved in a four-way competition for fifth to eighth places, with Argentina, India and France today and tomorrow.

West Germany, the holders, reached the final with a 4-2 victory over Pakistan yesterday. The Germans, who played superior hockey led 4-1 until two minutes before the end, when Pakistan converted a short corner.

PLAY-OFFS: For 13th place: Canada 1, Chile 0. For 11th place: Belgium 2, Egypt 1 (aet). For 9th place: Zimbabwe 5, Malaysia 4.

● The Pakistan Hockey Federation are to invite three England players, one of whom will be goalkeeper, Ian Taylor, to form part of an International XI for a match at Karachi on September 21 against Pakistan. The game is to be played in aid of Bangladesh flood relief funds.

WEIGHTLIFTING: Three Canadian weightlifters due to compete in the world championships which start in Seweden this week have been suspended for taking the banned body-building anabolic steroid drugs. The Canadian Weightlifting Association's director, Keith Nesbitt, said that Michel Viau, found guilty for a second time, would probably be banned for life.

GOLF

Robertson puts back years for third win

By John Hennessy

Belle Robertson, defying the years yet again, won the British stroke-play championship at Formby yesterday for a record third time. With rounds of 80 and 74 and a total of 305 she beat Cindy Scholefield, the champion of California, by four strokes. Miss Scholefield, barely half the winner's age, had two splendidly consistent rounds of 7h, one over par.

Mrs Robertson had held the lead overnight but surrendered it to Patricia Johnson, the English champion, at both match-play and stroke-play, with that uncertain round of 80. In the afternoon, however, as fortunes swayed, she stood up to a drenching downpour and regained the lead with six holes to play. She sealed her remarkable victory, in her fiftieth year, by chipping in for an eagle three at the 490yd 15th.


Robertson: drenched

The title had looked to be Miss Johnson's, as she reeled off a string of par figures with impressive authority while her playing partner, Lilian Behan, the British match-play champion, came adrift with an eight at the third. Suddenly Miss Johnson lost her touch and then her chance, by taking four from the edge of the 14th green, to go to 10 over par and four strokes behind.

Miss Scholefield, visiting relatives in the area from her home at Malibu, seemed at home in alien conditions and an eight iron to three feet at the fourth promoted her to seven over par, but she dropped shots twice elsewhere.

Susan Shapcott, the British girls' champion, achieved rounds of 73 and 78 to win the under-18 championship. She is only 15, but the purity of her swing, forged under the tuition of the elder Gordon Brand at Knowle, was proof against the elements.

In the morning, she equalled the best score of the championship, thanks particularly to an eagle three at the 490yd 15th, where she hit a four-wood to six feet. In the afternoon, she had to settle for a birdie four, landing 25 feet from the hole with her fairway wood. She is maturing fast and holds out high hopes for the future.

LEADING SCORES: 305: B Robertson 57, 76 80 74; 309: C Scholefield (US), 78 79 76 76; 311: P Johnson 73 81 78 81; C Hounslane 75 78 81 77; 314: L Bayman 81 77 74 76; C Pierce 73 84 80 77; 315: M Richmond 83 81 75 76; 316: K Davies 76 82 78 77; 317: E Farquharson 73 89 81 77; S Lawson 78 79 79 81; 318: C Al Hall 83 78 75 82; M Garner 73 81 80 76; L Behan 76 80 79 82; 320: E Orley (Switz) 78 85 79 78; J Thornhill 78 81 81 80; 322: L Bolton 80 82 83 77; 323: J Hill 83 79 81 80; J Walker 81 81 81 80; 324: M Koch (WG) 84 81 79 80; M Burton 78 81 79 82; D Chrisdeon 78 79 85 82.

AKRON, Ohio: World Series of Golf: Leading first-round scores (US unless stated): 65: D Watson (SA); R Mahaffey 66: C Peete; 67: G Brand jnr (GB); T Kite; G Archer; R Eastwood; W Blackburn 68: H Sutton; H Green; F Zoeller; D Forsman; S Simpson 69: T Watson; L Nelson; A North; L Wadkins. Other British score 75: P Way.

DENVER: LPGA National Pro-Am: Leading first round scores (US unless stated): 68: E King 70: B Pearson; L Garbacz; M Baker 71: C Kratzert; P Bradley; L Muraoka; B Jones.

DALMAHOY: Scottish Professional Championship. Second round leaders, 138: S Torrance (unattached) 68 70; 140: K Baxter (Caldwell) 71 74; D Matthew (Livingston) 72 72; 146: McNiven (Forfar) 73 73; B Barnes (Ellesmere House) 74 72; R Craig (Glenbervie) 74 72; D Huish (North Berwick) 70 76; 147: I Young (Dalmahoy) 72 75; B Lawson (Kirkcaldy) 74 73.

US overcome their foursomes phobia

From Mitchell Platts, Clementon, New Jersey

The prospect of a famous win contributed to Britain and Ireland losing the thirteen Walker Cup to the United States by the narrow margin of 13-11 when the biennial match finished on the Pine Valley course here on Tuesday.

Britain failed to capitalise on the American's fear of foursomes, which was apparent as soon as the second series began with the score at 6-6. Jay Sigel, the United States captain, explained: "Foursomes are fun, very social, and I wish we played more golf like this in our country. But the truth is we don't like it".

The trouble was that the British and Irish players failed to stamp their authority on the match at the very moment when the possibility of a first win on American soil arose. The United States won the second series of foursomes 3½-½, and so established a lead which meant that they were required to take only 2½pts from the remaining eight singles to retain the trophy. Britain and Ireland, to their credit, counterattacked by winning the singles 4½-3½, but in truth they had lost their chance in the morning.

John Hawksworth, who gained a memorable 4 and 3 win over Sigel, said: "We had nothing to lose in the afternoon. We gave it everything but it really was too late." I was convinced we would win the foursomes 3-1 in the morning, so taking only half a point was extremely disappointing.

Even so, Britain and Ireland produced a valiant effort, Charlie Green, the captain, said. "I think the boys played awfully well".

Peter Baker at the age of 19 enhanced his reputation with an excellent 5 and 4 win over Randy Sonnier and George MacGregor and Sandy Stephen each won for the second time in the singles.

Yet, at the end of the day, the true winners were the Walker Cup itself and the Pine Valley Golf Club. Anybody who doubts the value of the match, simply because the United States have dominated it with 28 wins out of 31 matches, is doing an injustice to the nature of the sport.

It might be an anachronism, in the light of the cut and thrust of today's sporting world, but it is the very lifeblood of golf and all the participants contributed to proving that the amateur game is alive and well.

Pine Valley provided a marvellous setting and Sunningdale in 1987, will be equally hospitable to those players who next have the honour of representing their country in the Walker Cup.

CYCLING

Woods takes revenge for Olympic defeat

From John Wilcockson
Bassano Del Grappa

Australian Dean Woods who won the 3,000 metres pursuit title at the world junior championships in 1983 and 1984, is likely to add the senior 4,000 metres title to his collection in the world cycling championships, which continue here today. Yesterday morning, Woods aged 19 gained revenge over the Olympic champion, Steve Hegg, of the United States, who defeated the Australian in the pursuit semi-final last year in Los Angeles.

Despite a strong wind blowing across the 400 metre Bassano velodrome, Woods recorded the fastest time of the series four minutes 38.55 seconds which proved almost four seconds faster than Hegg.

There was much expectation among the Italian crowd last night that their hero, Francesco Moser, would be able to defeat the defending professional pursuit world champion, Hans-Henrik Oersted of Denmark, whom he faces in the semi-final.

Tony Doyle, the former world champion from Surrey, raced brilliantly to record a second fastest qualifying time while defeating Jean-Luc Vandenbroucke of Belgium in 5:53.11.

The first title of the track championships, the standing-start one-kilometre time-trial went to Jens Glucklich, aged 19 of East Germany, Glucklich, who is 6ft tall and weighs 13 stone, recorded 1:05.06 to beat Philippe Boyer of France by almost one second.


Doyle: hot in pursuit

Men
1,000M TIME TRIAL: 1, J Glucklich (EG), 1.05.06; 2, P Boyer (Fr), 1:05.96; 3, M Vimlcombe (Aust), 1 08 03. British placings: 19, S Wallace, 1:09 21.
PROFESSIONAL PURSUIT: Quarter-finals: Heat 1: 1, G Braun (WG), 5:53.22 bt M Bridmoet (It) 5.54.49. Heat 2: F Moser (It), 5:53.79 bt J Nijam (Neth), 5:01.75. Heat 3: A Doyle (GB), 5:53.11 bt J van den Broucke (Bel), 6:02.55. Heat 4: H-H Oersted (Denmark) 5:48 90 caught M Colombo (It), after 4,600m.
AMATEUR PURSUIT: Quarter finals: Heat 1: G Umaraz (USSR), 4:42 50 bt A Reinhard (WG), 4:49 14. Heat 2: D Woods (Aust), 4:38.55 bt S Hegg (US), 4:42.34. Heat 3: V Edimov (USSR), 4:43.95 bt L Nitz (US), 4:49.34. Heat 4: R Gunther (WG), 4:43.84 bt G Grisandi (It), 4 50.77.
Semi-finals: Doyle, 5.54.99, bt Braun, 6:03.21 Oersted, 5.48.51, bt Moser 5:57.40.

Chester match on

Chester will travel to Tranmere on Wednesday to play the Milk Cup first round first leg game they postponed last Tuesday, because of injury and illness. Chester were fined £2,500 by the Football League, who did not accept Chester's plea that they could field a team.

Brewery sponsorship

Middlesbrough have reached a new three year sponsorship agreement with Camerons Brewery, of Hartlepool. The deal for an undisclosed amount includes shirt and track suit sponsorship.

England youth squad

England have announced their squad for the European youth championship qualifying round game in Iceland on September 11.

SQUAD: M Blake (Southampton), T Carter (Bristol Rovers), A Daley (Aston Villa) A Gregory (Sheffield Wednesday), D Hirst (Barnsley), B Horne (Millwall), D Howells (Tottenham Hotspur), A Kiwomya (Barnsley), P Maddes (Manchester City), A Murphy (Manchester United), G Peacock (QPR), J Polston (Tottenham Hotspur), J Reynolds (Swindon), M Thomas (Arsenal), A Watson (Liverpool), G Westley (QPR).

FOR THE RECORD

TENNIS

KINGS ISLAND, Ohio: Grand prix tournament: Third round (US unless stated): M Wilander (Swe) bt K Flach 6-1 6-4; T Wilkison bt Y Noah (Fr) 6-3, 6-7 6-3; J Nystrom (Swe) bt T Moore, 7-6 6-4 7-6; A Jarryd (Swe) bt M Flur, 7-5, 6-4; S Edberg (Swe) bt T Gullikson, 6-4, 6-2; B Becker (WG) bt J Sadri, 4-6 6-1 6-4; H Pfister (H) H Sundstrom (Swe), 6-0, 6-1; J Brown bt W Scanlon, 7-5, 6-1.
JERICHO, New York: International tournament: First round (US unless stated): H Gunnarsdottir (Swe) bt T Mayotte, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4; J Connors bt P Fleming, 6-1, 3-6, 6-4; P Amacone bt W Fibak (Pol), 6-3, 7-6.
MONTICELLO, new York: Women's tournament: Second round: H Sukova (Cz) bt L Antonoppli (US), 6-1, 6-4; S Hanika (WG) bt R Uys (SA), 6-2 6-0. Quarter-finals: H Kelesi (Can) bt V Ruzici (Rom), 1-6, 6-2, 6-4; B Potter (US) bt S Cecchini (It), 6-4, 6-3.
EASTBOURNE: Prudential junior grass court championships: Semi-finals: 18 and under: Boys: C Peel (Lancs) bt L Matthews (Hants) 6-3, 6-4; N Jones (N Wales) bt A Brice (Cheshire), 7-6, 1-6, 6-2. Girls: T Cann (Cambs) bt A Grant (Leics), 6-3, 7-6; A Simpkin (Lecs) bt V Lake (Devon), 6-3, 7-6. 14 and under: Boys: N Smith (Somerset) bt D Harris (Essex), 6-4, 7-6. Girls: S Cannon (Lancs) bt S Bell (Cambs), 6-2, 6-4; S Corrish (Somerset) bt D Harris (Essex), 6-4, 7-6. Girls: S Loosemore (S Wales) bt S Smith (Essex), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; J Donovan (Warwicks) bt V Humphreys-Davies (Cambs), 7-6 6-3.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: American League: Boston Red Sox 8, Texas Rangers 4; Kansas City Royals 7, Chicago White Sox 3; California Angels 3, New York Yankees 2; Detroit Tigers 5, Oakland A s 3 (13 innings); Seattle Mariners 4, Baltimore Orioles 0. National League: Philadelphia Phillies 2, Los Angeles Dodgers 0; San Diego Padres 3, Montreal Expos 0; New York Mets 7, San Francisco Giants 0; Pittsburgh Pirates 5, Cincinnati Reds 1; Chicago Cubs 3, Atlanta Braves 2; St Louis Cardinals 2, Houston Astros 1.

TABLE TENNIS

FOSHAN, southern China: World Cup: Group A: Jiang Jialiang (China) bt L Kucharski (Pol), 21-16, 21-16; E Bogan (US) bt Y Miyazaki (Japan) 21-15, 15-21, 24-22; Jiang bt Miyazaki, 21-14, 21-18. Group B: Lo Chuen Chung (HK) bt U Bengtsson (Swed), 21-13, 21-15; Kim Ki Taek (S Kor) bt T Danielsson (Aus) 21-15, 21-13. Lo bt Kim, 21-19, 21-18.

GOLF

BREMEN, West German Open: First round leaders: 69: M McNulty (SA), 61: A Russell (US), B Langer (WG), 62: V Fernandez (Arg) K Waters (GB) 63: P Walton (Ire) M Tapia (Fr) S Luna (Sp), T Foreman (US), J Hawkes (SA) 64: M Mackenzie (GB), M Clayton (Aus) E Polland (GB), D Williams (GB), P Thomas (GB), B Rafferty, M Bembridge, J Hall, M Johnson, Gordon Brand Snr, Mike McLean, N Job.
CARACAS: World Cup qualifying tournament: First round: 1, Uruguay, 139; 2, Paraguay, 144; 3, Puerto Rico, 147; 4, Bermuda, 148; 5, Chile, 150; 6, Jamaica, 152; 7, Egypt, 157; 8, Guatemala, 158; 9, Nigeria, 164.
UFI MINOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: BRIDGNORTH: Dmron 217 for 7 dec (C J Edwards 53) and 105 or 3. Shropshire 137 for 3 (N Humphreys 58), abandoned.

HANG GLIDING

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN, North Carolina: Masters championship: Group A: 1, R Bailey (GB), 197 pts; 2, M Degroff (US), 164; 3, J Pendry (GB). Group B: 1, S Moyes (Aus), 139; 2, R Pfeiffer (US). Group C: 1, S Smith (US), 174. Other placing: 3, P Harvey (GB), 152.

FOOTBALL

KOBE, Japan: World Student Games: Group C: China 5, Mexico 0. Group D: Japan 2, United States 0.
SANTANDER: City tournament: Atletico Madrid 2, Shamrock Rovers 1.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Derby 0, Nottingham Forest 3; Hull 3, Manchester City 1; Sheffield Wednesday 1, Barnsley 0; Huddersfield 2, Newcastle 2.

BOXING

SYDNEY: IBF world bantamweight championship: Jeff Fenech (Aus, holder) bt Satoshi Shingaki (Japan), 3 rounds.
OSAKA: Orient-Pacific lightweight championship (12 rounds): Gary Hubble (Aus, holder) bt Keiichi Chonnma (N Kor), pts.

SURFING

NEWQUAY: Fosters Masters tournament: Second round: M Lambrinos (US) bt N Hardman (Aus); G Day (Aus) bt B McNulty (Aus).

SQUASH RACKETS

Junior women's team championships: Dublin: Final: England 1, Australia 2 (England names first) L Souter bt Fitzgerald, 9-2, 9-6, 9-1; T Cunliffe lost to D Brady, 2-9, 3-9, 9-7; Macfie lost to Mr Martin, 7-9, 9-2, 4-9, 3-9.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Middlesbrough 41, Peterborough 37. Silver Helmet: M Dixon (Middlesbrough, holder) bt K Hawkins; Arena Essex 46, Mildenhall 32.
KNOCK OUT CUP: First leg: Sheffield 39, Reading 39.

CYCLING

THE HAGUE: Tour of The Netherlands: Third stage (185km from from Schagen): 1, S Kelly (Ire), 4hr 53min 29sec; 2, E Vandaerdenrde (Bel), at 5sec; 3, W De Vos (Bel), at 7. Overall: 1, Vanderaerden, 17 24 14; 2, B Oostarbosch (Neth), at 14, 3, A Van Houwelingen (Neth), at 25.

ICE SKATING

SAINT GERVAIS, Eastern France: International Figure Skating Grand Prix: Pairs: Final standings: 1, C Houg and D Ladret (Can), 1.8pts; 2, L Klobova and A Kalkin (USSR), 2.4; 3, L and N Cushley (GB), 4.6. Other British placing: 6, S Peake and A Naylor, 8.8. Ice dance (after original set pattern): 1, M Usseva and A Shulin (USSR), 1; 2, D Bontemps and G H Paillard (Fr), 2; 3, A Sargent and J Damelio (US), 3. British placing: D Birs and D Crofts, 8. Women's singles (after compulsory figures): 1, T Damigella (US), 0 6; 2, P Neska (WG), 1.2; 3, R Salkic (Fr), 1.8. British placings: 7, R Powell, 4.2; 8, J Conway, 4 8.

CRICKET

NORBURY: Club Cricket Conference 203 for 4 dec (M Stafford 72, K Sisar 55) and 126 (M Roberts 50; M Halliday 4 for 30); Ireland 113 (M Sisar 5 for 42, D Mott 4 for 54) and 155 (W Bigmore 5 for 33). CCC won by 67 runs.
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Bradford: Derbyshire 424 (W P Fowler 131, A M Brown 56, P A Booth 4 for 177) and 125 for 5 dec (Brown 61 not out). Yorkshire 330 for 8 dec (A A Metcalfe 110, I G Swallow 62, J Goldthorp 60). Match drawn.
STREETLEY: Nottinghamshire II 223 (M Newell 60, R Evans 58; W Morton 5 for 68) and 144 (T A Munton 5 for 30). Warwickshire II 204 (K D Smith 83; J A Afford 6 for 53). Drawn.
AYR: Scotland 138 for 6 dec. MCC 101 for 2 (D Lloyd 51 not out). No play yesterday. Drawn.
COLOMBO: Sri Lanka Colts XI 385 for 6 dec and 53 for 3. Indians 296. Match drawn.

BASKETBALL

BANGKOK: Crown Prince championship: Australia 85, China 72; South Korea 139, Macao 47 (Australia, South Korea, England and Malaysia qualify for semi-finals).

RACING

Scottish Reel to step lively with ground in his favour

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Michael Stoute and Walter Swinburn, who were controversially deprived of a group two prize in the stewards' room at York on Wednesday, have an excellent chance to win a race of equal status at Goodwood today when Scottish Reel contests the Waterford Crystal Mile.

With Gold Crest withdrawn at the overnight stage and River Mist a non-runner, Scottish Reel's task has been made that much easier and he will relish the soft ground, which could become even softer if the weathermen are right.

Unraced as a two-year-old, Scottish Reel began his racing career this spring with victories in modest events at Warwick and Ripon. However, he quickly stepped up in class to land a valuable York handicap and the Diomed Stakes, a group three race, at Epsom.

Scottish Reel did not get the soft ground he needs to show his best form at Royal Ascot next time, but still ran a fine race to chase home Bairn in the St James's Palace Stakes, with Vin de France, last Sunday's Prix Jacques le Marois winner, third. Young Runaway and Zaizafon, both making their seasonal debuts, ran well to finish fourth and sixth, but I cannot envisage either taking their revenge with conditions underfoot in Scottish Reel's favour.

Stella Grande, back to a mile after failing to stay 10 furlongs in the Nassau Stakes, should play a prominent part, but the main danger to my selection may be Capricorn Belle, who ran well when second to Northern Aspen at Deauville before finishing fourth to Ever Genial at Newbury.

Ohemura and Rakaposhi King, both winners on the course during the big five-day meeting, now clash in the March Stakes, for which I prefer Rakaposhi King, especially as Life Peer would probably prefer it a bit firmer underfoot.

Ameghino, my selection for the Lismore Handicap, ran well enough in the Stewards Cup to suggest that he is worth another chance, while Codices did likewise behind New Trojan in the Foxhall Stakes to encourage belief that he can win the Cowdray Stakes.

With Laird O'Montrose, Luna Bid, Vainglorious, Miscrown, Little Pipers and Good Lord all still standing their ground, today's Philip Corns Nickel Alloys Nursery at Newmarket looks the hottest race of its type so far this season. However, I nap Vainglorious to repeat his victory of four weeks ago over the same course and distance.

Before that, Vainglorious had beaten Strive at Lingfield, and Strive is a stable and galloping companion of Luna Bid in Michael Blanshard's successful Lambourn yard. While I know that Luna Bid is the better, as his recent Salisbury victory would indeed indicate, he may still find the task of giving four pounds to Vainglorious impossible, especially as I also know that Henry Candy thinks that Vainglorious will soon be up to group race standards if he is not already.

No matter how Miscrown fares, Luca Cumani, his trainer, should not be wide of the target in the Stanley House Handicap with Tantino, who, significantly in my opinion, has missed other engagements at York and Newcastle this week.

During the big Goodwood meeting my selection was runner-up in the Paul Masson Handicap. In the meantime both the winner, Lucky Ring, and the third, Conservatoire, have won



Star of a Gunner (right) wins Goodwood's Weekender Trophy (Photograph: Chris Cole).

Cauthen has amazing escape

By Michael Seely

Steve Cauthen miraculously escaped serious injury in a fall at Goodwood yesterday. The reigning champion jockey's mount, Fun Galore broke its off hind leg when in the lead in the Weekender Trophy stakes at 3 o'clock. Cauthen quickly tucked himself into a ball, rolled over twice and crawled under the rails. Fun Galore galloped on with its leg swinging loose, but was caught and destroyed. Cauthen was unhurt.

"I was lucky", the jockey said. "I'm sorry for the poor horse though". Commenting on the accident, Reg Akehurst, Fun Galore's trainer said, "It was just one of those things, the leg just suddenly went. Steve heard it crack. It must have been caused by the camber as the ground slopes away at that point".

Backers of the favourite, Indian Hal, were desperately unlucky. Pat Eddery had Peter Walwyn's three-year-old racing on the heels of Fun Galore at the time of the mishap and had to snatch his mount up. He then tried to launch a challenge between Formido and Star of a Gunner, but the gap closed, so he switched Indian Hal to the outside. Eddery then began his final assault; but failed to catch Star of a Gunner by a head.

Eddery then lodged an objection to John Reid on the winner, but the stewards overruled his protest. They found that the interference had been caused by Formido hanging to her left, but decided that it was accidental and allowed the result to stand.

Cauthen had no better fortune on High and Dry, who started favourite at 13-8 on to win the Waterford Candelabra Stakes for Henry Cecil. Jim Joel's filly came under pressure fully three furlongs from home and could finish only third, behind Brent Thomson on Asterold Field.

A triumphant Barry Hills, the trainer, said afterwards: "I bought Asterold Field for $310,000 for Sheikh Mohammed off my own bat at Saratoga. She's a pretty decent filly. She could run in the Hoover Fillies' Mile at Ascot. She's got so much speed that I might bring her back to six furlongs for the Cheveley Park Stakes."

As the Lambourn trainer also has charge of Sure Blade, the Coventry Stakes winner, whom he purchased on the same owner's behalf for 270,000 guineas, Hills is in a strong position as we approach the important group one races.

OVERSEAS RACING

Free Guest can scoop Million

From a Special Correspondent, Arlington

Free Guest, the mount of Steve Cauthen, King of Clubs (Pat Eddery) and Teleprompter (Tony Ives), the three British challengers for the £517,241 Budweiser-Arlington million over a mile and a quarter at Arlington Park, Chicago, tomorrow, all hold good each-way chances in a wide-open race.

The Americans are expected to make the ex-French pair, Greinton and Dahar, hot favourites. They are now trained by Charlie Whittingham in California and will be coupled on the pari-mutuel. Anyone who wishes to back one of them should do so at individual ante-post odds but, if you fancy one of the British runners, it will almost certainly pay to take pari-mutuel odds.

Tolomeo and Pat Eddery taught the Americans to respect British form, when they beat John Henry in the 1983 Million, but our horses are still likely to start at longer odds than our bookmakers would feel disposed to offer.

Free Guest, trained, like Tolomeo, by Luca Cumani, came back to peak from with a seven-length win in the Nassau Stakes three weeks ago and looks the best of them. Neither King of Clubs, a good third to Rousillon in the Sussex Stakes last time, nor Teleprompter has won at this distance, but they are good, tough horses and capable of going close on fast american turf.

Seven of their 10 opponents, Al Mamoon Atom Jones), both Ends Burning (Henry Candy), Dahar (Maurice Zilber), Drumalis (Willie Hastings-Bass and Ian Balding), Greinton (Francois Boutin), King's Island (Clive Brittain) and The Noble Player (Barry Hills), began their careers in Europe.

Both Ends Burning, Greinton and King's Island have made considerable improvement in the States, but Greinton's best performances have been on dirt. He returned to turf for the first time in eight races, when failing by a head to give 6 lb to the front-running King's Island in the Sunset Handicap over a mile and a half at Hollywood Park on July 22. This distance will suit him better.

Gate Dancer, winner of last year's Preakness Stakes, Tsunmai Slew, who won his last two in fast time, and Flying Pidgeon, whose best form is at longer distances, are the three that have raced in the States throughout their careers.

Gate Dancer has won more money than any of his opponents but has only run once on turf, at Santa Anita on March 31, when he finished last of six. He is top class on dirt but Tsunami Slew, who beat Al Mamoon, Both Ends Burning, Drumalis and Dahar, in a nine-furlong handicap at Del Mar two weeks ago, and is a turf specialist, may be a better candidate. Both Ends Burning, Greinton and Dahar look the pick of the other home-trained runners, but Free Guest may be too goood for them all.

● Tony Ives, injured at Windsor on Monday, was passed fit by the Jockey Club's medical consultant, Dr Michael Allen, yesterday and will ride Teleprompter

Going: firm

BUDWEISER–ARLINGTON MILLION (Grade I: £517,241: 1m 2f) (13 runners)

1	11-2212	TELEPROMPTER (Lord Derby) J Watts 5-8-0	T Ives	
2	21-1242	THE NOBLE PLAYER (R Sangster) J Gosden 5-8-0	W Shoemaker	
3	2-33301	GATE DANCER (K Opstein) J van Berg 4-8-0	C McCarron	
4	110-001	FREE GUEST (Fitlocks Stud) L Cumani 4-9-0	S Cauthen	
5	111010	DRUMALIS (W Gumpert) D Vienna 5-8-0	P Day	
6	121200	FLYING PIDGEON (A Mercanthony) L Olivares 4-8-0	J Santos	
7	210011	TSUNAMI SLEW (Royal Lines) E Gregson 4-8-0	R Meza	
8	212112	GREINTON (Mrs M Bradley) C Whittingham 4-8-0	L Pincay jnr	
9	141302	KING OF CLUBS (P Mellon) I Balding 4-9-0	Pat Eddery	
10	134122	AL MAMOON (B Firestone) R Frankel 4-8-0	S Hawley	
11	3-32113	BOTH ENDS BURNING (M Burdett-Coutts) N Drysdale 5-9-0	E Delahoussaye	
12	331230	DAHAR (Summa Stable) C Whittingham 4-8-0	D Brumfield	
13	411131	KINGS ISLAND (C Beumbech) J Fanning 4-8-0	P Toro	

7-5 Greinton, Dahar (coupled), 6 King's Island, Tsunami Slew, 10 Al Mamoon, Both Ends Burning, 12 Flying Pidgeon, Gate Dancer, Teleprompter, 14 Free Guest, King of Clubs.

Raft should carry off Deauville prize

From Desmond Stoneham

Raft has been declared for the Grand Prix de Deauville after an on the spot inspection of the ground, but the colt could still miss the group two event if there is further rain before Sunday. If the horse does take part the mount of Greville Starkey will be my selection to beat another cross-channel visitor, Jupiter Island, who will be ridden by Lester Piggott.

It was just over a year ago when Raft last won and this was also at Deauville when he took the 10-furlong Prix de la Côte Normande. Last time out the son of No Double was staying on well when fifth to Petoski in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes. When Raft made his seasonal debut in the Hardwicke Stakes he was beaten two and a half lengths by Jupiter Island, but he may be able to reverse this form tomorrow.

Another English challenger in the thirteen and a half furlong contest is Khaelan, who since winning the group three Prix Berteux at Chantilly has been fourth in the Prix Kergorlay at Deauville.

● Robert Sangster's fine sprinting mare, Committed, runner-up to Never So Bold in the Norcros July Cup and then beaten a short neck by Spectacular Joke in the Prix Maurice De Gheest at Deauville, should gain a deserved success at Phoenix Park this afternoon where she has only five opponents in the Orchardstown Stud Stakes (Our Irish Correspondent writes).

The most interesting of her opponents is Anita's Prince, competing for the first time in 1985. Last year Anita's Prince acquitted himself well in Cup sprint company, winning the King George Stakes at Goodwood and losing the King's Stand Stakes at Royal Ascot by the narrowest of margins to Habibti.

Earlier in the afternoon Vincent O'Brien brings back the one-time Epsom Derby favourite, Leading Counsel, in the Persian Bold Stakes. This will be his first outing since disappointing in the Irish 2,000 Guineas

GOODWOOD BBC

[Televised: 2.0, 2.30, 3.10]

Going: good to soft

Draw advantage: 5f-6f, high numbers best

2.0 MARCH STAKES (3-y-o: £11,238: 1m 6f) (6 runners)

102	1-11	OBERTURA (C) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 8-12	G Starkey	1
103	0-42010	KING OF COMEDY (M Stein) C Horgan 8-11	P Cook	3
105	12131	LIFE PEER (D) (E Bram) H Cecil 8-11	J Mercer	4
107	102112	RAKAPOSHI KING (CD)(BF) (R Tikkoo) R Armstrong 8-11	L Piggott	5
109	31140	TANGOGNAT (T Stafford) R Simpson 8-11	K Radcliffe	6
110	033-000	TROY FAIR (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 8-11		2

1984: Commanche Run 9-5 D McHargue (2-5 fav) L Cumani 4 ran

15-8 Obertura, 5-2 Life Peer, 4 Troy Fair, 7 Rakaposhi King, 14 King Of Comedy.

FORM: OBERTURA (8-11) beat Easter Lee (7-9) 1¼ here (2m 3f, £7,648, good, July 31, 10 ran). KING OF COMEDY (9-1) 6th beaten 10¼ l by Positive (9-1) at Salisbury, earlier (8-5) a comfortable 3l winner from Tyro Prince (8-5) at Lingfield (1m 4f, £1,021, good to firm, July 12, 10 ran). LIFE PEER (8-7) won 4l from Leinster Lad (7-11) at Haydock (1m 6f, £2,625, good to soft, Aug 8, 7 ran). RAKAPOSHI KING (8-0) beaten a neck by Khozdar (8-7) at Newmarket, Previously (8-4) a decisive 4l winner from High Tension (7-11) here (1m 6f, £4,721, good, July 31, 8 ran). TANGOGNAT (8-1) 4½ l behind Shemazar (9-0) (1m 5f 60yds, £26,547, good to soft, Aug 17). TROY FAIR, (8-2) hampered when 24¼ l 8th behind Shemazar (9-1) here (1m 4f, £9,489, good to soft, Aug 2, 9 ran).

Selection: RAKAPOSHI KING

Goodwood selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Rakaposhi King. 2.30 Ameghino. 3.10 Scottish Reel. 3.40 Habs Lad. 4.10 Codices. 4.40 Daring Display.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Rakaposhi King. 3.10 Scottish Reel. 3.40 Rimah. 4.10 Norfolk Sonata. Michael Seely's selection: 3.10 Scottish Reel.

2.30 LISMORE HANDICAP (£8,246: 6f) (12)

201	2-0112	CRAGSIDE (S Grod) G Lewis 3-9-10	P Waldron	6
203	100124	AMIGO LOCO (J Li) K Brassey 4-9-5	S Whitworth	4
205	1-130000	BRIG CHOP (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Ciechanowski 4-8-11	L Piggott	2
207	200000	OUR DYNASTY (D) (S Hobson) M Lambert 4-8-11	P Cook	5
210	000121	YOUNG INCA (CD) (J Sasse) L Cottrell 7-8-8	R Cochrane	9
212	1-14240	AL AMEAD (D) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) C Benstead 5-8-5	W R Swinburn	11
213	000402	CAMEROUN (D) (C Wright) D Laing 3-8-5	M Lynch 7	1
215	0-01206	AMEGHINO (C,D) (J Watson) M McCourt 5-8-3	R Wernham	12
217	000004	DEPUTY HEAD (D) (P Callard) J Holt 5-8-1	R Fox	7
218	400204	FERRYMAN (W Plummer) D Elsworth 8-7-13	A McGlone	8
219	403631	NUMISMATIST (CD) (A Sotiriou) M Saliman 8-7-12 (10 ex)	P Street	3
221	000-300	MORSE PIP (B)(D) (Mrs S Maxwell) D Nelson 8-7-9	D McKay	10

1984: Manchester Skyliner 5-7-7 M Carlisle (4-1) D Cottrell 8 ran

5 Young Inca 6 Cameroun, Numismatist, 7 Ameghino, 8 Deputy Head, Ferryman. 10 Amigo Loco, Morse Pip, 12 Cragside, 14 Our Dynasty, 16 others.

FORM: Cragside (9-0) a neck 2nd of 11 to Doulab (8-0) in the Cornwallis Stakes at Ascot (5f, 10,439, good to soft, Oct 13). Our Dynasty, 6th to Ever Genial last time, earlier (9-2) beat Camps Heath (9-7) 1¼ l at Epsom (6f, £7,835, soft, June 11 ran) with Ferryman (8-11) a further 2½ l back in 4th. Young Inca (8-12) beat Vorvados (9-0) 4¼ l here on Aug 3 (6f, £4,963, good to soft, 10 ran) with Ferryman (8-9) 3l back in 4th, Brig Chop (9-8) another 1¼ l further back in 5th. Cameroun (8-9) 1 2nd of 9 to Miami Prince (8-1) at Brighton (6f, £5,021, soft, Aug 8), with Numismatist (7-13) a neck away in 3rd and Amigo Loco (9-10) a further ¾ l back in 4th. Ameghino, 7th in the stewards cup last time, earlier (8-7) beat Dorking lad (8-9) a length at Kempton (6f, £4,677, firm, May 4, 11 ran) with Ferryman (9-1) a short head away 3rd, and Deputy Head (9-7) 5l back in 7th. Numismatist (6-5) under sh hd from Our Jock (9-2) 9 ran, Ripon 6f h'cap good Aug 17.

Selection: CAMEROUN

3.10 WATERFORD CRYSTAL MILE (Group II: £39,385: 1m) (7)

301	300003	GREY DESIRE (M Brittain) M Britain 5-9-0	P Cook	7
302	013324	CAPRICORN BELLE (D) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) L Cumani 4-8-11	L Piggott	3
305	1241	RIVER MIST (D) (M Jenney) P-L Biancone (Fr) 3-8-6	NON-RUNNER	5
306	11112	SCOTTISH REEL (D) (Sir G White) M Stoute 3-8-6	W R Swinburn	4
307	1212-4	YOUNG RUNAWAY (C) (S Niarchos) G Harwood 3-8-6	G Starkey	2
308	13-1000	STELLA GRANDE (D) McMorrow R Sheather 3-8-3	R Cochrane	6
309	114-044	ZAIZAFON (D) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) M Jarvis 3-8-3	-	6

1984: Rousillon 3-8-6 G Starkey (8-13 fav) G Harwood 5 ran

7-4 Scottish Reel, 100-30 Young Runaway, 6 Capricorn Belle, 7 Grey Desire, 14 Zaizafon, 25 Stella Grande.

FORM: GREY DESIRE (9-0) 1¼ l 3rd of 12 to Ever Genial in a Newbury Group 3 event (7f, £18044, soft, Aug 16) with CAPRICORN BELLE (9-2) a length away in 4th. RIVER MIST (8-9) 2l 3rd of 11 to Vin de France (9-9) in a Deauville Group 1 event (1m, £49223, soft, Aug 18). SCOTTISH REEL (8-9) 1¼ l 2nd of 8 to Barn at Royal Ascot (1m, Group 2, £31138, good to firm, June 18) with YOUNG RUNAWAY (9-0) 2l back in 4th, and ZAIZAFON (8-11) long looking 14l back in 6th. Last time ZAIZAFON (8-5) 12¼ l 4th of 11 to Free Guest (9-8) with STELLA GRANDE (8-8) 2l further back in 5th.

Selection: SCOTTISH REEL

3.40 RICHMOND-BRISSAC TROPHY HANDICAP (amateurs: £3,895: 1m 2f) (7)

402	111-401	HOUSE HUNTER (D) (Mrs M Campbell) C Horgan 4-11-7	R Hutchinson	4
404	46-4101	NEBRIS (D) (J Shortall) R Akehurst 4-11-3	J Akehurst	6
405	1211-40/	VALERIO (C) (R Cuppa) O Sherwood 5-10-11	A J Wilson	7
408	00-0203	RIMAH (B)(C)(BF) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) Thomson Jones 4-10-9	T Thomson Jones	2
409	310112	HABS LAD (S Hunt) D Laing 3-10-7	S Wood	1
412	000021	DUELLING (B)(D) (Mrs R Johnson) P Mitchell 4-9-11 (7 ex)	D Bonnyworth	5
414*	20-0030	OLD ALEX (B)* (T Thorn) J Bridger 4-9-7	A Kelloway	3

1984: Sunoak 4-11-7 Mr A J Wilson (4-11 fav) G Harwood 6 ran

11-4 Habs Lad, 7-2 Nebris, 4 House Hunter, 9-2 Rimah, 6 Duelling, 14 Valerio, 16 Old Alex.

4.10 COWDRAY STAKES (2-y-o: £2,784: 7f) (11)

503	2	BEYBARS (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 8-11	P Cook	10
505		COCCOLUTO (Mrs F Hertz) J Dunlop 8-11	N Dawe 5	11
506	4	CODICES (P Lake) G Harwood 8-11	G Starkey	9
507	8	DEMON FATE (Sheikh Mohammed) J Ciechanowski 8-11	L Piggott	3
514	00	ITTIHAAD (Hamdan Al Maktoum) C Benstead 8-11	R Cochrane	1
516	040034	MERRYMOLES (A J Bingley Ltd) M McCourt 8-11	R Wernham	6
517	02	MIRAGE DANCER (Maj H Cayzer) R Smyth 8-11	S Whitworth	8
518	0	NORFOLK SONATA (K Bethell) R Boss 8-11	W R Swinburn	7
522		SILCA CHAVI (E Eldridge) D R Elsworth 8-11	J Reid	2
524		MIGHTY FLASH (Mrs V Tory) E Eldin 8-8	B Procter	4
525	00	MIRANO VENTURE (Venture Chemical Products Ltd) R Akehurst 8-8	-	4

1984: Cheldon 8-11 G Starkey (1-4 fav) G Harwood 9 ran

4-6 Codices, 11-4 Beybers, 7-2 Mirage Dancer, 14 Merrymoles, 16 others.

4.40 ROOKWOOD APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£1,702: 5f) (11)

601	003104	MY LOUIE (CD) (T Mills) A Ingham 4-9-13	J Adams	5
603	003312	DARING DISPLAY (D) (Ld McAlpine) R Smyth 4-9-12	J Carter	3
604	0300-10	TORREY (B) (Maj W Hern) W Hern 6-9-6	T Sprake	1
607	304-000	LONELY STREET (T Lyons ii) M Vance 4-8-8	NON-RUNNER	
608	003120	RUSSELL FLYER (B)(BF) (T Crawford) R Hood 3-8-7	A Dicks	9
609	02140	WARTHILL LADY (D) (M Pearson) M Brittain 3-8-4	A Bacon	5
610	004222	CHEETOWN LADY (D) (W Greenbaum) J Holt 3-8-2	M Lynch	3
611	000-000	GUEST IMAGE (Elisha Holding) G Lewis 3-8-1	J Crowden	10
614	0-00234	NATIVE RULER (D) (A Richards) C Austin 4-8-0	G Bin	7
615	0-00000	RUN RIOT (A Lansley) W Wightman 4-7-11	A Shoults	2
617	0000	GOLDEN SALVO (Concorde Bloodstock) D O'Donnell 3-7-8	R Perham	4

1984: Sarah's Venture 5-8-9 E Cullen (3-1 it-fav) C Horgan 8 ran

7-2 Daring Display, 9-2 My Louie, 5 Torrey, 7 Russell Flyer, 8 Cheetown Lady, 10 Warthill Lady, 12 Lonely Street, 14 Native Ruler, 16 others

Goodwood results

Going: Good to soft

2.30 (5f) 1. STEEL CYGNET (J Reid, evens fav), 2. Miss Venezuela (R Fox, 5-1); 3, Restless Rhapsody (S Whitworth, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Shari Louise (4th), 9 Lion of Lahore, 5 ran, 1l, 3l, hd, 10l. Pat Mitchell at Polegate. TOTE: £1.70: £1.20, £1.80. DF: £3.10. CSF: £5.69. 1min 04 56sec.

3.0 (1m) 1. STAR OF A GUNNER (J Reid, 8-1); 2, Indian Hal (Pat Eddery, 11-4 fav); 3, Formido (B Rouse, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Fun Galore (Fell, destroyed), 7 Sharp Shot, 8 Daring (5th), 10 Running Rush (4th), 25 Star of Ireland, Peanday, Count Bertrand (6th), 10 ran. hd, 1l, ¾l, 8l, 4l, R J Holder at Bristol. TOTE: £15.80: £3.00, £1.30, £2.40. DF: £13.80. CSF: £28.97 TRICAST: £202.48. 1min 46.16sec. Objection by second to winner overruled

3.30 (7f) 2, ASTEROID FIELD (B Thomson, 11-1); 2, Meteoric (W Carson, 5-1); 3, High and Dry (S Cauthen, 8-13 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Chalk Stream (4th), 20 Light Bee, Vive la Difference (5th) 6 ran. 4l, 3l, 2l, 1½ l, 8 Hills at Lambourn TOTE: £13.50: £4.00, £1.90. DF: £21.50. CSF: £56 39. 1mn 33.36sec

4.0 (1m) 1, OSCURA (Pat Eddery, 2-1 fav), 2 Asset Stripper (B Thomson, 8-1), 3, Vienna Belle (B Rouse, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Summers Darling, 5 Khalsiyin (5th), 7 Al Khazaama (4th), 14 Manabel, 16 Rendsley Boudica, 20 La Dragoniere, Lune de Miniuit, Touch of Luck (6th), 11 ran. 2l, 3l, Sl ¾ l, J Tree at Beckhampton Tote: £2.90; £1.40, £2 10. DF £14.80. CSF: £19.91

4.30 (6f) 1, SHARROOD (W Carson, 2-5 fav); 2, Mummy's Favourite (B Rouse, 6-1); 3, Bold Bordeyer (J Reid, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Fastk Relay, Tote: £1.40, £1.30, £1.10 DF: £2.40. CSF: £3 05. 1mn 18.81sec.

5.0 (1m 4f) 1, STATELY FORM (Pat Eddery, 5-1); 2, Eastern Mystic (R Guest, 5-1); 3, Hollycourt Victory (J Carter, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 2 lav High Tension (5th), 11-2 Bold Rex (4th), 9 Al-Walled, 10 Bronte, 20 Stanwood Boy (6th), 8 ran 2l, 2l, 2l, 12l, 1l J Tree at Beckhampton. Tote: £6 60, £2.20, £2.10. £1 10. DF: £16.50. CSF: £27.95.

PLACEPOT: £105.80.

Newmarket

2.15 (7f) 1. SWAY (K Reddiffe, (7-1); 2, Endearment (W R Swinburn, (8-2 it fav); 3, Hunt's Katie (P Waldron, (7-1. Also ran: 9-2 it fav Jane's Brave Boy (5th), 15-2 Qualitairess (4th), 8 Yellow Bear, 9 Foolish Touch, 10 Taylors Renovation, 14 Edwin's Princess, Pokey's Pet (5th), 25 Elegant Port. 11 ran. 1l, ¾l, ¾l, d ht, R Simpson at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £9 60; £2.70, £2.00, £4.80. DF: £29.80. CSF: £36.63. Tricast: £211.46. 1min 28.91sec. Bought in 3,00 gns.

2.45 1. STAGE HAND (P Robinson (8-1); 2, Truely Nureyow (W R Swinburn, (11-4 it fav), 3, Exclusive North (P Tulk, (8-1). Also ran: 11-4 it fav Saba Nejd (4th), 8 Quezal, 10 Picatrix (6th), 11 Out of Stock, 12 Hills of Arran, 14 War Hero. 20 Jalysash, 25 Cisto, 33 Agradecido, Pokey's Pride (5th), Tears of Laughter, Turmeric. Turn For The Better, National Time. 17 ran. nk, ¾l, hd, 2½ l, ¾ l, G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: £5.80; £1.70, £1.60, £2.40. DF: £20.50. CSF: £32.17. 1min 28.80sec.

3.15 1, WILD HOPE (G Carter 4-1); 2, Balsash (C Rutter, 7-1); 3, Armored (W Woods, 5-1); Also ran: 3 fav Barrie Baby (5th), 100-30 Flying Scotsman (6th), 8 High Pitched (4th, 6 ran, 1½, 1½, ¾l, 1½, G Huffer at Newmarket. Totes: £3 40; £1.60, £2.90. DF: £12.80. CSF: £25.98. 2min 08.35sec.

3.45 (1m 6f) 1, TRAPEZE ARTIST (M Lynch, 7-1), 2, High Tern (T Ives, 14-1); 3, Shalubiza (K Bradshaw, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Vital Boy, 5 Intuition (6th), 11-2 Buster Jo (5th), 6 The Clown, 20 Ben's Birdie (4th), 33 High Renown, 9 ran. NR: Nerada. ¾l, 1½ l, 3l, 1½ l, N Vigors at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £10.40: £2.80, £2.20, £2.30. DF: £29.40. CSF: £80.37. TRICAST: £692.16. 3mn 08.76sec.

4.15 (1m) 1, HOME BLADE (A Lequeux, 3-1 fav), 2, Lyric Way (A Munro, 16-1); 3, Modesty Park (P Robinson, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 5 Andi Aga (6th), 8 Jeanne Avril, 11 Shock Hit! Lass (5th), 14 Derring Miss, 16 Kissersbaby (4th), 20 Arish, 33 Chelsea Lorgue. 10 ran. 2½ l, 1½ l, ¾l, ht hd, 1½ l, Doulab at Newmarket. TOTE: £3.10: £1.80, £5.40, £1.40. DF: £59.90. CSF: £41.67. TRICAST: £155.45. 1min 14.15sec.

4.45 (1m) 1, ALR MAHLIK (G French, 14-1); 2, Lead On Time (A Lequeux, 4-5 fav); 3, Tanuf (W R Swinburn, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 9 Angel Target, Buthayna (5th), 11 Sue Grundy (6th), 16 Cressi Auction (4th), 33 Dorada, Jovaworth, The Godfather, Break The Ice, Mycenae, Cherry, Relaxed, Still Marching, 14 ran. 2l, 3l, hd, ¾l, ¾l, F Durr at Newmarket. TOTE: £50.50; £7.40, £1.30, £1.60. DF: £18.90. CSF: £25.44. 1min 15.01sec.

PLACEPOT: £17.95.

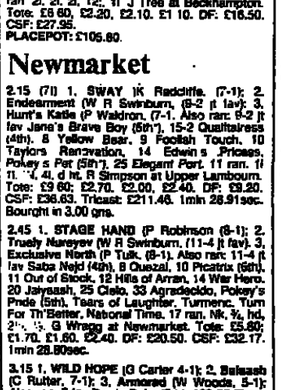
● Tony Murray rides Braka for Ian Balding in the £13,624 Grand International D'Ostende (11f) and Al Zawbaah for Tom Jones in the £6,812 Criterium de Vitesse de la Mer du Nord at Ostend tomorrow.

Blinkered first time

NEWCASTLE: 2.15 Ernie's Brother. 3.45 Patchburg

NEWMARKET: 2.30 Indisputable. 3.00 Oakgrove, Shagayle. 4.05 Tug Top.

WINDSOR: 2.52 Feisty. 6.45 Princess Zenobia.



Jeremy Tree: Goodwood double

Bangor results

Going: Good to firm

2.30 (2m hdle) 1. Pamella (D Wilkinson, 12-1); 2, Dorothy Brewis (4-6 fav); 3, Domanus (3-1) 6l, 20l 4 ran J Dorler. TOTE: £11.40; DF: £4 90 CSF: £20.05

3.0 (2m hdle) 1. Bunrannoch House (M Meagor, 4-11 fav); 2, Nashood (4-1); 3, Intoxicated (33-1). 2l, 15l, 7 ran R Fisher. TOTE: £1.20, £1.30, £1.10. DF: £1.40. CSF: £2.15.

3.30 (2m 4 f ch) 1, Pea-Cock-Ade (A O'Hagen, 7-1); 2, Foggy Buoy (10-1); 3, Sir Badsworth (5-2). Rejuvenator (Evens) 12l, 4l, 5 ran. M W Eckley. TOTE: £7 80; £1.40, £3.10. DF £22 80. CSF: £50.69.

National Hunt cards, page 28

4.00 (2m 4f hdle) 1, STAR ALLIANCE (W Morris 8-4 fav); 2, Teucer (10-1); 3, Gramrie's Pet (11-2). 12l, 15l, 5 ran R Morris. TOTE: £2.40; £1.80, £3 40. DF: £7.10. CSF: £12.09.

4.30 (3m ch) 1, Master Of Fun (S Morahead, 100-30). 7, Seabright Smile (7-4 fav); 3, Cash And Gold (25-1). 12l, 5l, 8 ran. D McCain TOTE: £3.20; £1.40, £1.10, £5.80. DF: £2.70.

5.0 (2m hdle) 1, Wordsnewsthebeginner (Miss D Jones, 12-1); 2, Court Appeal (5-4 fav); 3, Dudley's Star (8-1). nk, 3l, 13 ran. NR: Bilbon Melody. TOTE: £12.30; £2.20, £1.40, £3.10. DF: £20 20. CSF: £27.97.

PLACE POT: £171.65.

Newcastle selections

By Mandarin

1.45 Verbarium. 2.15 Lily Fogg. 2.45 Parramon. 3.15 Salilia. 3.45 Snake River. 4.15 Romiosini.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.45 Pharaoh's Hawk. 3.15 Salilia 3.45 Snake River 4.15 Narnala.

Michael Seely's selection: 2.45 RUSSELL CREEK (nap).

Course specialists

GOODWOOD

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 27 winners from 88 runners 31.4%; L Cumani, 14 from 51, 27.5%; W Hern, 38 from 142, 26.8%.

JOCKEYS: L Piggott, 48 winners from 230 rides 20.2%; G Starkey, 36 from 196, 18.4% W R Swinburn, 12 from 89, 13.5%.

NEWMARKET

Trainers: H Cecil, 99 winners from 360 runners 27.5%, M Stoute, 56 from 345, 16.2%, W Hern, 30 from 225, 13.3%.

JOCKEYS: A Clark, 12 winners from 81 rides 14.8%; S Cauthen, 66 from 472, 14.0%; W Carson, 56 from 441, 12.7%.

NEWCASTLE

TRAINERS: H Cecil 10 winners from 28 runners 38.5%, M Stoute, 13 from 41, 31.7%; G Pritchard-Gordon, 14 from 51, 27.5%.

JOCKEYS: Paul Eddery, 7 winners from 47 rides 14.9%; M Birch 24 from 205, 11.7%.

WINDSOR

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 16 winners from 41 runners 39.0%; W O'Gorman, 15 from, 58, 25.8%, W Hern, 13 from 52, 25.0%.

JOCKEYS: J Mercer, 20 winners from 134 rides 14.9%; W Carson, 30 from 201, 14.9%; P Robinson, 9 from 77, 11.7%.

Four-day declarations

Due to industrial difficulties involving *The Sporting Life*, Weatherbys have arranged for four-day racing declarations to be available from the following outlets: Weatherbys (0933 71111, or 01486 4921), Jockey Club (0638 664151), International Racing Bureau (0638 66881 or 01-390 6848), Racing Information Bureau (0990 25719), Lambourn Racehorse Transport (0488 71710), Ayr Racecourse (0292 264179 or on Monday 26 August only, 0292 413 56), W. Elsey (0653 3149), G. Balding (026 477 2278), D. Barons (0548 550326/411), B. Hills (0488 71548/9), I. Balding (0635 298210), G. Harwood (07982 3011/2), J. Sutcliffe (03722 72825).

NEWMARKET ITV

(Televised: 1.30, 2.0, 2.30)

Going: good

Draw advantage: none

1.30 'MAIL ON SUNDAY' THREE YR OLD SERIES HANDICAP (£3,511: 7f) (12 runners)

2	21-04	REGALALCO' (D) (BF) L Cumani 9-7	R Guest	7
3	3-000	ULLA LAING B Hills 9-7	B Thomson	9
4	0-000	TOM BOAT (D) R Armstrong 9-7	S Cauthen	6
8	1131	POWDER KEG (D) J Hindley 9-0	M Hills	10
10	22-00	SINGLE LOVE B Hanbury 8-9	B Raymond	5
11	0011	HAPPY HOUSE (B) CDJ G Wragg 8-4	W Carson	11
15	1200	ALOIRM C Benstead 8-3	B Rouse	12
16	3024	CORNICHE M James 8-2	P Robinson	3
17	103	EVENING BLUSH (D) (BF) O Douleb 8-0	R Hills	1
18	13-2	BABY SIGH M Prescott 7-12	A Mackay	2
24	1034	CREEAGER W Wharton 7-7	N Carlisle	8
25	0042	STEERPIKE (B) P Cundell 7-7	N Adams	4

1984: Tremblant 7-9 S Whitworth (4-1 fav) R Smyth 9 ran

11-4 Powder Keg, 7-2 Happy House, 9-2 Baby Sigh, 6 Steerpike, 8 Regalaco, 10 Evening Blush

ROWING

Lightweights to advance their Olympic claims

By Jim Railton

Great Britain has sent a large contingent to the world championships at the Hazewinkel course in Belgium where a record 882 rowers from 38 nations are taking part. The championships start on Monday and conclude next weekend with Britain contesting 16 titles. This year's world championships are awaited with considerable interest after a void of almost two years.

The boycott in the Los Angeles Olympic Games was followed this year by a lukewarm international regatta in Lucerne which is normally recognized as a rehearsal for the world or Olympic championships. But this year the Swiss failed to attract, for example, the first four of the Olympic final in the men's eights – Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand (the Americans sent their Henley university and club entries) – and the East Germans sent a nondescript crew that finished fourth. In the women's events in Lucerne the Romanians, who won six Olympic gold medals, were missing and so too was the United States gold medal eight.

So this is the first opportunity for two years to make an objective assessment of a country's standing in world rowing. Hazewinkel also heralds the first official world championships for men's and women's lightweight rowing, which should help the lightweights campaign for Olympic status. For the first time ever, too, the women will compete over the same distance as men – 2,000 metres.

This will be observed with considerable interest. Some critics say that the increased distance will lead to greater margins between crews and utter boredom. But Lucerne this year did not indicate this. The new distance requires new tactics. Sheer power and weight may give way at last to technique and stamina, giving more normally built women a better chance of success. The Soviet Union women's team – with the exception of their eight – had great difficulties mastering the new distance in Lucerne.

The British are experimenting with their formations. Hopes of success lie with the fortunes of the single sculler, Steve Redgrave, an Olympic gold medal winner in coxed fours, the men's coxless pair, Cross and Cliff, and the women's lightweight double, Lin Clark and Beryl Crockford. West Germany's Peter-Michael Kolbe will be chasing his fifth world single sculls title but faces powerful competition from the three times Olympic champion, Pertti Karppinen on Finland.

ICE HOCKEY

Unger joins Dundee

By Robert Pryce

Gary Unger, who played for 17 years and was chosen as an "all star" in the North American National Hockey League, has signed for the Dundee Rockets. Now aged 37, he will coach and play for the former British champions.

Unger played 1,105 NHL games, mostly for the St Louis Blues, including an unbroken run of 914 games over a period of more than 11 years which earned him the press soubriquet of "the Iron Man". A statute of him still stands in St Louis.

Unger apparently sees this season as an opportunity to advance his company's cause – they specialize in coaching and training camps for boys – in Europe. "He's not coming here for immediate financial gain," Tom Stewart, the Dundee chairman, claimed yesterday. "I could name probably a dozen players in the league who will be paid more."

Unger is the third former NHL player to join a Heineken British League club this season. The others are Ron Plumb (Hartford Whalers) and Todd Binder (Washington Capitals), both Fife players.

Dundee's other two imported players are Roch Boivs, the left wing who played for the last season, and Louis Cote, who was player-coach at Chamonix last season.

NATIONAL HUNT CARDS

HEREFORD

Going: good to firm

2.15 CHERRY NOVICE HURDLE (£548: 2m) (17 runners)

1 30-4 Best Intent 8-10-10 Mr B Dowling 7
4 up-2 Fahrie (B) 5-10-10 – S Sherwood
5 803- Gastronomic 4-10-10 . S Morshead
6 606- Ivander 5-10-10 . Mr M Price 7
7 20-2 Man O'Magic 4-10-10 . P Croucher
8 su-8 Mranaica 6-10-10 . C Warren 7
9 4-00 Middle Tarang 7-10-10 . S McNeil
10 04 Piping 6-10-10 .
11 p-p Prince Rere 4-10-10 . A Chamberlain
12 08- Puget 4-10-10 . A Carroll
13 0-0 Quality Prince 4-10-10 . W Morris
14 Tee's The Knack 5-10-10 . J Suthern
15 0007 Tinorah 5-10-10 . P Scudamore
16 4-00 Birds of a Feather 5-10-5 . A Webb
17 Conveyor Belle 5-10-5 . P Leach
18 0-03 Petite Mirage 4-10-5 . M Bosley 7
19 Yeader Gift 5-10-5 . R Dunwoody

2 Man O Magic, 7-2 Fulvio 4 Prang, 6 Puget, 8 The Knack, 12 Conveyor Belle

2.45 HOARWITHY NOVICE SELLING HURDLE (£546: 2m) (7)

1 00r- Althassos 4-11-8 . P Leach
3 9p- Crymon Boy 4-11-8 . C Smith
5 00-0 Easy Mover (B) 4-11-8 . P Scudamore
6 880- Spav's Right 4-11-3 . R Hyett
12 Friendly Belle 3-11-0 . S Sherwood
13 Little Butterfly 3-10-0 Miss S Armytage 7
14 Salla Thims 3-10-0 . C Gray

7-4 Friendly Belle, 100-30 Salla Thims, 5-1 Spav's Right, 6 Althassos, 7 Easy Mover, 14 Little Butterfly

3.15 ACONSBURY NOVICE CHASE (£1,454: 2m) (8)

1 u8-1 Silver Ace 6-11-7 . P Leach
2 3U3 Country Boy (B) 8-11-0 . J Suthern
3 p2-0 Fruity Angel 9-11-0 . B Powell
5 0-pp- Royal View 9-11-0 . Mr C Crozier
6 0f1 Skylander 6-11-0 . K Mooney
7 08-8 The Bendertzar 5-10-11 . P Nicholls
8 22-4 The Thunderer 5-10-11 . A Carroll
9 u00 Lucky Mistake 8-10-9 . Peter Hobbs

Evens Skylander, 5 Silver Ace, 4 The Thunderer, 8 Country Boy, 14 Lucky Mistake

3.45 BORDER HANDICAP HURDLE (amateurs £923: 3m 1f) (10)

1 0f1- Alaman 5-11-7 . –
3 8-12- Deep Mystery (D) 13-11-5 . C Lloyd Jones
4 30-3 City Link Express 8-11-5 . T Grantham
5 032- Last of the Foxes 12-11-4 . Miss G Armytage 7
6 09-2 Derrycrotha Lass 6-11-1 . S Cowley 7
7 243- Larry Hill 10-10-8 .
9 330- Princess Biscuit 10-10-0 Miss T Davis 7
10 0f0- Duncan 6-10-0 . Mrs C Smallman 7
11 0/0- Nassarene 7-10-0 . C Bridgett 7
13 p-00 Dee Water 8-10-0 . Miss R Judge 7

11 F Derrycrotha Lass, 7 2 City Link Express, 5 Algonar, 7 Last of the Foxes, 10 Deep Mystery

4.15 MALVERN HANDICAP CHASE (£1,581: 3m 4f) (8)

1 12-0 Gambling Prince 12-12-7 . J Suthern
3 322- Lisin Asserlone 8-11-2 . R Dunwoody
6 21f- Glen Look 10-10-2 . Peter Hobbs
7 30-p Takealeave (B) 7-10-0 . P Scudamore
9 02-8 Native Break 8-10-0 . S Morshead
10 p42- Stubbs Daughter 8-10-0 . A Jones 4
11 p-p0 Hi Dante' 7-10-0 . Mrs G Armytage 7
12 300- Polar Express 10-10-0 . C Warren 7

5-2 Lisin Asserican, 3 Gambling Prince, 5 Glen Look, 6 Native Break, 8 Stubbs Daughter, 10 Takealeave

4.45 ABERGAVENNY HANDICAP HURDLE (£954: 2m 4f) (7)

2 811- The Argonaut 7-11-7 . S Shilston
3 06-0 Little Landau 6-11-3 . R Dunwoody
5 3-83 Blackbooth 6-10-0 . M Bosley 7
11 0f0-8 Rodney Parade 10-10-0 . S Sherwood
12 04-u Steamy 4 10-0 . C Brown
13 481/ Just Waiting 8-10-0 . J Bryan
14 008- Tender Pet 5-10-0 . C Seward

Evens The Argonaut, 4 Little London, 5 Rodney Parade, 6 Steamy, 13-2 Blackbooth

HEREFORD SELECTIONS (By Mandarin): 2.15 Man O Magic, 2.45 Friendly Belle, 3.15 Silver Ace, 3.45 Ataman, 4.15 Gambling Prince, 4.45 The Argonaut.

MARKET RASEN

Going: good

2.15 SCUNTHORPE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£601: 2m) (15 runners)

1 00-3 Jolestan 8-12-1 . Mr L Lay 7
2 613/ Masallet 9-11-11 . Mr P Johnson 7
3 0f2-8 Strange Street 8-11-7 . M Pitman
4 0f0-8 Grangehall 10-11-4 . Mr P Dennis 7
5 3-04 Donnaghan 4-11-2 . M Furlong
6 K30- Sassison Boy (B) 5-10-13 . T Wall
7 00-4 Quinta Do Lago 4-10-8 . J Barlow
8 3f- 3-0 This Ones For You 6-10-7 . Mr M Thompson 7
9 R0-0 Dear Rowses 13-10-6 . Vicki Harris 7
10 60-4 Balkan 5-10-3 . J A Harris
11 6/0-0 Ringfast 6-10-1 . C Jones
12 10-8 Call-Me-Montais 12-10-1 . P Tuck
13 p04- Valdemosa 4-10-0 .
14 000- Donnas King 6-10-0 . Mrs J Saunders
15 p4u- Good Performance 6-10-0 .

11-4 Dyregaon 7-2 Jolestan, 5 Balkan, 6 Quinta Do Lago, 8 Sassison Boy, 9 Call-Me-Montais.

2.45 SKEGNESS NOVICE CHASE (£1,116: 2m) (7)

1 8-31 Katapergos 7-11-10 . M Brennan
2 0f2-1 Al Washeeh 8-11-7 .
3 2/6-1 Jungle Jim 7-11-7 . S Johnson
6 s03- Another Flame 8-11-3 . Mr M Thompson 7
7 000- Bobrisk Pearls 5-11-3 . M Perrett
10 00-p Glokening 5-10-13 . S J O Neill
12 1f4- Helen's Choice 4-10-5 . J A Harris

11-8 Jungle Jim, 2 Katopergos, 7-2 Another Flame, 7 Helen's Choice

3.15 YORK BAR JUVENILE NOVICE HURDLE (3-y-o: £1,353: 2m) (6)

1 . Paris Trader 10-10 . P Tuck
5 4f Mr Steadfast 10-6 . P Blackburn
6 81 My Myra 10-6 . D Dutton
7 . Peace Terms 10-6 . M Dwyer
8 8 St Helens Boy 10-6 . K Sims 7
11 . Michelle My Belle 10-1 . J Barlow

13-8 Paris Trader, 9-4 My Myra, 9-2 Mr Steadfast, 7 Peace Terms, 14 St Helens Boy, Michelle My Belle

3.45 BMW SERIES CHASE (Qualifier: £1,857: 3m) (5)

1 142- Bliss Tarquin (B) 6-11-10 . M Dwyer
2 441 Black Earl 8-11-6 . R Rowe
3 82-p Just A Ghost 9-11-6 . Miss S French
6 480 Lord Charles 8-11-6 . Da Williams
7 p-43 Willie's Gig (B) 7-11-6 . M Brennan

5-4 Black Earl, 9-4 Blue Tarquin, 7-2 Willie's Gig, 10 Just A Ghost, 16 Lord Charles

4.15 CLEETHORPES NOVICE HURDLE (£1,007: 2m) (10)

1 2-21 Gifted Gift (B) 4-11-7 . S Johnson
2 0f0/8 Mickey Tim 8-11-3 . P Tuck
4 08-3 Narbeno Boy 5-11-3 .
5 08-8 Rushyford 7 11-3 . Mr M Thompson 7
6 80-4 Sagart Arrow 5 11-3 . M Brennan
7 Van Ben 6-11-3 . J A Harris
8 008 Bestow Lad 4-11-0 . S Youlden 4
11 f0- Sterling Virtue 4-11-0 . T Wall
12 3-0 Tipo Style (B) 4-11-0 .
13 8- Royal Expert 5-10-12 . S Charlton

9-4 Sagart Arrow, 100-30 Gifted Gift, 4 Tipo Style, 11-2 Narboro Boy, 8 Rushyford

4.45 STAMFORD HANDICAP CHASE (£1,506: 2m) (5)

2 31-4 Rewrite 8-12-3 . P Tuck
4 42-1 Royal Radar 9-11-12 . D Condell 7
5 3-22 Fair Babe 11-11-9 . Mr L Kirkby
6 82-1 Downtown 10-11-11 (5 ex) . Mr P Craggs
7 82-3 Parson's Pride 10-10-0 . Mr L Lay 7

Evens Royal Radar, 4-1 Fair Babu, 11-2 Downtown, 6 Rewrite, 10 Parson's Pride

MARKET RASEN SELECTIONS (By Mandarin): 2.15 Dowegan, 2.45 Jungle Jim, 3.15 My Myra, 3.45 Blue Tarquin, 4.15 Gifted Gift, 4.45 Downham

CARTMEL

Going: good.

2.0 WINSTER SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£521: 2m 1f) (8 runners)

1 80-4 Le Pearl 8-11-12 . Mr J Carden
2 221- Mr Pongee 10-11-9 . B Storey
5 838- Prince Lafite 5-11-4 . C Grant
6 480- Claude 4-11-3 . J J O Neill
7 p0/p Wagnastthemorning 8-11-0 . J Hansen
12 3-80 Inspired (B) 5-10-5 . R Bellour 7
16 000- Valverse 5-10-0 . S Kettlewell
18 20-1 Westward Talbot 8-10-0 .

3 Le Pearl, 4 Mr Pongee, 5 Prince Lafite, 11-2 Claude, 8 Inspired, 10 Wagnastthemorning

2.35 FURNESS HANDICAP CHASE (£1,896: 3m 1f 50yd) (4)

2 21f Dance Master 9-11-10 (6 ex) . C Mann
3 2-22 Mighty Rex 7-11-7 . R Lamb
4 802- Saucepot 7-11-5 . N Doughty
5 p/p- Rimfire 10-11-5 . P Warner

15-8 Mighty Rex, 11-4 Dance Master, 3 Saucepot, 5 Rimfire

3.10 TUDORBURY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,422: 2m 1f) (11)

2 6- Mister Breen 8-12-0 . R Lamb
3 328- Boy Sanford 6-11-8 . A Stringer
4 140- Sabitch 5-11-5 . J J O Neill
5 18-3 Barton Match 5-11-5 . R Bellour 7
6 0/01- Red Dealer 5-11-5 . C Fortescue
7 132- Grey Wonder 5-10-10 . N Doughty
8 828- Thelmas Secret 8-10-8 . M Barnes
9 008- Excavator Lady (B) 6-10-3 . M Hammond
10 61- Kasuna Sunshine 8-10-3 . C Hawkins
11 10-0 Dreadnought 5-10-0 . Mr J Carden
14 001- Edwest 4 10-0 . Mr D Telfer 7

5-2 Red Dealer, 7-2 Grey Wonder, 5 Barton Match, 13-2 Boy Sandford, 8 Sabitch, 9 Excavator Lady

3.45 MAT JOHNSON MEMORIAL NOVICE CHASE (£1,381: 2m 1f) (9)

2 p80- Cricklstown 8-11-0 . N Doughty
3 0-84 Fillerville 6-11-0 . R Crank
4 28p/ Feltlaw 7-11-0 . M Barnes
5 0f4 Rotten Affair 9-11-0 . C Mann
6 2-3 Master Of Fun 8-11-0 . S Morshead
7 80p- Tipo Style 5-11-0 . K Doolan 4
8 0-p4 Strong Spirit 5-10-5 . C Hawkins
12 00-0 Bellatti 4-10-0 . J J O Neill
13 Bold Ruby 10-2 . A Stringer
16 Golden Secret 10-2 . K Teelan
19 Philly Atlantic 10-2 . S Kettlewell

13-8 Rivers Edge, 11-4 Master Of Fun, 5 Strong Spirit, 11-2 Cricklestown, 8 Fillerville, 10 Feltlaw.

4.20 MALDEN TIMBER E B F NOVICE HURDLE (Qualifier: £1,289: 2m 1f) (14)

1 831- Bush Fuzz 5-11-0 . R Lamb
2 8p-p Cherek Hall 6-11-0 . R Bellour 7
3 000- Civil Thomas 5-11-0 . M Barnes
4 092- Johnston's Pride 6-11-0 . K Doolan 4
5 0- Murphy's Dream 5-11-0 . K Jones
6 308- Rebel Peril 5-11-0 . N Doughty
8 18/ Triple Award 5-11-0 . Mrs M Kendall
8 24-2 Bolstell 4-10-11 . J J O Neill
9 020- Northern Rebel 4-10-11 . G Bradley
10 18- Sim's Folly 4-10-11 . S Storey
11 0p/ Brinsela 5-10-9 . N Waggott 7
12 8-84 Kentucky Cutting 5-10-9 . R Crank
13 088- Milton Lockhart 6-10-9 . D Nolan
14 00-8 Mirage Lady 6-10-9 . Mr P Niven 7

13-8 Balmatil, 4 Bush Fuzz, 5 Rebel Peril, 13-2 Murphy's Dream, 8 Cool Thomas, 10 Johnston's Pride.

4.55 KENT JUVENILE NOVICE HURDLE (3-y-o: £669: 2m 1) (10)

1 81 Matalot 10-12 . D Williamson
2 Arvelle Fred 10-10 . J J O'Neill
3 Hunky 10-10 . C Grant
4 9 Dundyvan 10-7 . C Hawkins
12 Stainton Gypsy 10-7 . K Doolan 4
13 The Mighty Ben 10-7 . K Jones
15 Abasenal 10-5 . N Doughty
16 98 Bonded Ruby 10-2 . A Stringer
18 Golden Secret 10-2 . K Teelan
19 Philly Atlantic 10-2 . S Kettlewell

11-2 Matalot, 4 Hunky, 5 Arcelle Fred, 11-2 Abasenal, 8 Golden Secret, 10 Stainton Gypsy.

CARTMEL SELECTIONS (By Mandarin): 2.0 Diuedo, 2.35 Saucepot, 3.10 Grey Wonder, 3.45 Rivers Edge, 4.20 Balmatil, 4.55 Matalot.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and IN MEMORIAM £4.00 a line + 15% VAT.
(minimum 3 lines)

Announcements authenticated by the name and permanent address of the sender, may be sent to:
THE TIMES
200 Grays Inn Road
London WC1X 8EZ
or telephoned (by telephone subscribers only) to: 01-837 3311 or 01-837 3333. Personal Columns Direct Lines: 01-278 9161 or 01-278 9161.

Announcements can be received by telephone between 9.00am and 5.30pm, Monday to Friday, on Saturday between 9.00am and 12.00noon. (837 3311 only). For publication the following day, phone by 1.30pm.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES, WEDDINGS, etc. on Court and Social Page, £8 a line + 15% VAT.

Court and Social Page announcements can not be accepted by telephone. Enquiries to: 01-837 1234 Ex 7714.

Most other classified advertisements can be accepted by telephone. The deadline is 5.00pm 2 days prior to publication i.e. 5.00 pm Monday for Wednesday). Should you wish to send an advertisement in writing please include your daytime 'phone number.

(JESUS said:) Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom. St Luke 22: 28, 29

BIRTHS

ABELL on July 27 at U.C.H. to Jo and Jim a son, Oisin

BENGE – on August 14th at Romford to Valerie and David a daughter Samantha.

COLLINS. – On August 19th at Plymouth, to Christine and Nigel – a son (James). A brother for Rebecca.

CORRAN – On August 16, to Cheryl (nee Kershaw) and Robert – a son (David Robert).

CRAWSHAW. – On August 19, 1985, in Pittsburgh, to Caroline (nee Robertson) and John – a daughter (Elizabeth).

FELLOWES. – On August 20th, to Jane and Robert – a daughter.

FOWLER. – On 17 August, to Irma (nee Ballough) and Simon – a son (Charles Stanley Trevor).

HALL – On 14 August at Chichester, to Rosamund and Peter, a wonderful son (Oli), or Peter Robert).

HIRSH-WATSON. On August 20th to Wendy and Des, a daughter, Helen Rachel

KEOGH on 10 August at Chase Farm, Enfield, to Jane (nee Carney) and Dominic a daughter Jennifer Katrine.

LYON – On August 17 to Elizabeth (nee Buchanan) and David – a daughter (Alexandra Mary Cockburn).

MILLER EMERY on 19th August at Queen Charlotte's hospital, London to Stuart and Pip a son James Alexander Hayden.

NANCE to Barbara (nee Padfield) and Adrian, Twins on 20th August A daughter and a Son.

OWEN. – On Aug 22nd at Winchester, to Susan (nee Ellis) and Mark – a son (Guy David Hanchard).

ROGGE. – On August 22, to Kristina (nee Glyn-Williams) and Olaf, a son, Ralph Keith Theodore, a brother for Sophia.

ROSE – on Aug 22nd in Menton, France to Julia (nee Stanley) and Jonathan a daughter Lucy

SALMON. – On August 22nd, to Amanda (nee Cohen) and Paul – a daughter (Emma Frances).

STEPHENSON – On 12th August 1985 at Ascot to Norma (nee Sharkey) and Peter, a daughter, Laura Jayne

STEVENSON – on August 21st in Edinburgh to Jocelyn and Charles, a son, Thomas, brother for Frederick and Ella.

BIRTHDAYS

SALLY BASHFORD – Love on your birthday and always – Bill.

TO THE other half of my century Franco A happy birthday. Longing to be with you.

MARRIAGES

TAYLOR-GIBSON – On 10th August, the marriage took place at Richard, second son of Mr & Mrs Christopher Taylor, of Cuddington, Cheshire, and Ann, daughter of Mr & Mrs G. W. Gibson, of Aberford, Yorkshire.

SILVER WEDDING

BOYLE – LIVERS. On August 24 1960, at St Aloysius' Church, Glasgow, Margaret Winifred Boyle to Robin George Livers. Present Address: 4 Victoria Avenue, Bangor, Gwynedd.

RUBY WEDDING

HUGHES – GILSON On Saturday 25th August, 1945, Patrick Hughes to Patricia Gilson Now living in Codsall, Wolverhampton.

GOLDEN WEDDING

MITCHELL: UNWIN – On 24th August, 1935, at Holy Trinity Church, Plaistow, Bill & Win 50 years, at Mitcham, Surrey.

DIAMOND WEDDING

BATES: WOOD – On 25th August 1926 at St Anne's Church, Baslow, Derbyshire, Henry to Majorie of Hill Head, Fareham now at Blackmoor Lodge, Four Elms, Edenbridge, Kent.

DEATHS

COLE – On August 21 in hospital, Richard Colin of Stockley Farm, Calne, Wiltshire. Dearly loved husband of Rose and much loved father and grandad. Service at St Andrews Church, Heddington, on Thursday August 29, at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired to the Rector, for St Andrews Church.

GORDON. On August 20th at The Middlesex Hospital after a short illness John Donald in the 84th year. Dearly beloved husband of Jane (Elsie) father of Jennifer and Malcolm, grandfather of Robert and Claire Service Golders Green Crematorium on Tuesday August 27, at 2.45pm. Family flowers only, donations if wished, to Prince Arthur Ward Middlesex Hospital W1.

GREENWAY on August 21st 1985. Dorothy Sarah, Suddenly but peacefully whilst on family holiday at the Dower, Tedney nr Whittlesey, Wores, Aged 89yrs. Beloved sister of Ernest, Marjorie and Kitty. Much loved aunt to all her nephews & neices. The funeral service will be held at Whitbourne Church at 2.30 pm on Tuesday 27th August. Enquiries to H. Handley, Bromyard 820216.

JAMES, ROBIN HUGH. – On August 2 in Cape Town. Beloved husband of Isabine, and brother of Patience.

LOUDON, FRANCES WILLIAM HOPE. – On Aug 22nd, 1985, at Little Clanfoh, Wye, Kent. Most dearly loved husband of Prudence, and much loved father, father-in-law and grandfather. Family funeral. Flowers to F. C. Wood, Ashford (0233) 20109. A service of thanksgiving will be held later.

MACKINNON, Pamela Rachel. – On August 22, peacefully at home, beloved mother of John and Jennifer. Funeral private. No flowers. Donations if wished to Swinbrook and Widford Church Trust or Injured Jockey's Fund. No memorial service by her own wish.

PARISH. – On August 17th, 1985, unexpectedly, Hazel Mary Okes Parish, beloved sister of Persis. Service at St Paul's, Kingston-upon-Thames, on August 29th, 2.15 pm. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to Church of England Children's Society, Kensington Road, SE11. Greatly missed by all her family.

PECK.–On August 21, peacefully, at home, after a long illness bravely borne, Nigel, beloved husband of Ann and devoted father of Belinda, Caroline and Georgina. Funeral service at Putney Vale Crematorium on Friday, August 30 at 3 p.m. Family flowers only, but if desired, donations to his nursery may be sent to BDA or MMR Scanner, RMH, Sutton.

PETLEY on 22nd August peacefully at Rashwood Nursing Home, Wychbold, aged 85 years. Dorothie Margaret (Fred) Widow of Ralph Petley, loving mother and grandmother of Leonorah and Frederick Luff, and stepmother of Patricia Johnson. Requiem Mass at church of the Sacred Heart Droitwich on Tuesday 27th August (Her Birthday) at 12 noon. Family only. Donations to Parkinson Disease Society for the Distressed Gentlefolks Aid Association c/o Rashwood Nursing Home Wychbold.

PRITCHARD.–On 20th August, peacefully, at home, Fergus, aged 78 years, dear husband of Joyce and father of Elspeth, former Chief Purser Cunard Line. Funeral service at all Saints Church, Margaret, near Ascot, on Wednesday, 28th August at 2.15 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to MacMillan Cancer Relief Fund, 30 Dorset Square, London NW1 6QF.

RAIG. – On August 22 1985, Mary Isobel Laidlaw, dearly loved wife of the Very Rev. Dr A. C. Craig.

RITCHIE, Elizbeth Mary (Betty) in Tenterden, Kent, on 21 August 1985 after a long illness, most patiently borne beloved & devoted younger daughter of the late Mr & Mrs Harry G Ritchie & one time of Berkhamsted Hertfordshire & Colleston (Stains) Aberdeenshire. Much loved & loving sister of the late John Ritchie and of Pat Waters. A service will be held at Charing Crematorium, Kent, at 3pm on 29 August. A memorial service will be held later in Tenterden Church prior to interment of ashes. Flowers or if wished donations in lieu for Heart & Stroke Association, all enquiries to T W Puggle & Son, Tenterden, Kent. Phone: 06806 3340.

SECRETAN, PETER. – On 23rd August, 1985, Peter Secretan, of Wimbledon, aged 71.

SPATH, FRANK. – Aged 68, Resident of Le Court since 1965, Historian of The Leonard Cheshire Foundation, on 21st August. Funeral at Aldershot Crematorium on Thursday, 29th August, at 2.30. Memorial service at Le Court, Thursday, 19th September, at 3.15. By request, no flowers, donations in lieu to the Court Cheshire Home, Cranham, near Lee, Hants.

TAYLOR. – On August 21st at Kingsteignton, Richard Harold Harker, aged 56. Beloved husband of Jane. Cremation at Torquay Crematorium on Friday, August 30th, at 3pm.

TULLBERG. Albert Edward, aged 81 years, peacefully at his home in Green Ridge, Brighton, on August 22nd 1985, husband of Lucy & father of William, Maxwell, Jeffry.

VON HESSEN. – On August 21st at Pessence, Cornwall, Trinothy, Mark and James. Dearly beloved sons of Margarita Countess Von Hessen and the late Count Richard. Funeral service to be held in Germany. Donation to the NSPCC.

PERSONAL COLUMNS

Trade 01-837 2104 and 01-278 9232 Private 01-837 3333 or 3311

DEATHS

WOOD, Mary. – On August 22, 1985 and of 32 Bryn Twr, Abergele Clwyd. Late of Sunningdale Park Ascot, Berkshire. Requiem Mass at St Teresa's Church, Abergele at 10 am on Wednesday August 28, followed by cremation at Colwyn Bay. R.I.P. No flowers please. Donations if desired towards Clwyd Hospitals Scanner Appeal, Nat West Bank, 57 High St, Prestatyn. Enquiries to T. O. Jones & Son, Prestatyn 3949.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

MILLINGTON. – A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Esmond Millington will be held at All Saints Church, The Drive, Hove, Sussex on Monday, 2nd September 1985 at 11.30am.

RENTON. – A Thanksgiving Service for Judy Renton will be held at the Church of the Holy Cross, Binsted, near Alton, Hants on Wednesday September 11 at 3 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

URGENTLY REQUIRED. Extra funds for our vital work with children and young people at risk. BBC Radio 4 Appeal, Sept 1st, 8.50am. The Rainer Foundation (Charity 213135), 89a Blackheath Hill, London SE10 8TJ.

HOUSE EXCHANGE Canada offer spacious Georgian Listed House available Oct 85, 3 weeks, Nr McMaster University, 45 min Toronto, central to Niagara, Stratford Festival, Hiking Trails, Haywards Heath 413066.

COSSACKS & YUGOSLAVS. Forced repatriation fr British & Corps, Austria May/June 1945. Author seeks 1st hand info. Tolstoy Court Close, Southmoor, nr Abingdon, Berks.

MISS G HUMPHREYS – Mr R Raymond. Congratulations to Gillian & Ronnie on your wedding today, Saturday 24th August, 1985.

CHRISTOPHER AND SARAH Tonkin Congratulations on your Wedding Day. Love Frances.

FOR SALE

RESISTA CARPETS
SALE NOW ON
Autumn twist 80% wool pile, 10 plain colours, £7.95 sq yd + vat. Meraklon foam back, 5 colour only £3.95 sq yd + vat + special offer – Wicanders Corkoplast natural tiles
275 x 275 £8.50 sq yd + vat.
182, Upper Richmond Road West, S.W.14
Tel 01-876 2089
Free estimates – expert fitting

BRIGHTS OF NETTLEBED. Ultimate quality replica furniture Jacobean to Regency 7000 sq ft displays, £1.5 million stocks include, Titchmarsh & Goodwin, Arthur Brett, Wm Tillman Available for immediate delivery. Nettlebed, Nr Henley (0491) 641116. Bournemouth (0202) 293680, Topsham, Devon (039287) 7443, Berkeley Glos. (0453) 810962.

FINEST quality wool carpets At trade prices and under, also available 100's extra. Large room size remnants, under half normal price. Chancery Carpets 01-405 0453.

THE TIMES. Original issues 1845-1985. Other titles avail. Hand bound ready for presentation. Also "Sundays" £9 incl. Remember When. 01-688 6325.

TICKETS FOR ANY EVENT, Cats, Starlight Express, 42nd St, All theatre and sports. 821 6616. Visa & A.Ex

SEATFINDERS. Any event inc Cats, Cov Garden, Starlight exp, last night Proms 01-828 1678. Major credit cards.

CATS, STARLIGHT EXPRESS Covent Gdn, + all other sold out events. Obtainables Ltd, 01-839 3363.

PIANO. Beautiful small walnut upright 1st class cond. Tuned £350. Can arrange delivery. 01-453 0148.

OLD YORK FLAGSTONES Cobble sets etc. Nationwide deliveries. Tel: (0380) 850039 (Wilts).

FRIDGE/FREEZERS/COOKERS etc. Can you buy cheaper. B & S Ltd. 01-229 1947/8468.

LIBERTY'S art/deco sofas and cornerpiece, velvet, perfect condition, £826 ono. 743 7823.

CHINESE EROTICA finely painted on mature wood panels. Tel: (0892) 853137

OLD JEWELLERY, insurance value £12,000. Offers invited. Box 1975 L, The Times.

WANTED

A. H. BALDWIN & SONS LTD, est 1872. Numismatists, coins and medals. Collections or single specimens bought for cash. Adelphi Terrace, London, WC2N 6BJ. 01-930 6879.

GUY MORRISON ART wants to buy British paintings & watercolours, 01-930 8008, 91c Jermyn Street, London SW1.

WANTED: Edwardian & Victorian furniture, carved Bear Hall stands & jewellery. Please ring 01-672 5729 (day) 01-767 3048 (eves) (T).

ANTIQUE GARDEN FURNITURE wanted urgently. Crowther of Syon Lodge. Tel: 01-560 7978.

ANIMALS AND BIRDS

CHOCOLATE LABRADOR puppies, KC Reg. 9 weeks, 2 bitch, 1 dog. Tel: 0753 202688.

SHORT LETS

LUXURY SERVICED FLATS central London from £90 pw. Ring Town House Apts 01-373 3433.

KENSINGTON SWS, 1 bed. kit/bath. lounge and patio. 6/8 weeks, £160 pw. Tel 244 9937.

SERVICES

WHEN IN LONDON rent a TV or video by day, wk or month. Quick delivery Tops 01-730 4469.

ANCESTRY TRACERS of experience will research your family history economically and efficiently. Send details for free estimate to Achievements, Northgate, Canterbury CT1 1BA. TS or Tel: (0227) 462618.

FRIENDSHIP, Love or Marriage. Dateline, all ages, areas. Dateline, Dept (TST) 23, Abingdon Road, London W9. Tel: 01-938 1011.

OXFORD
G.C.E. (inc RETAKES) and OXBRIDGE
Brown and Brown Tutorial College
20 Wantborough Road, Oxford
Tel. Oxford (0865) 56311 & 513738

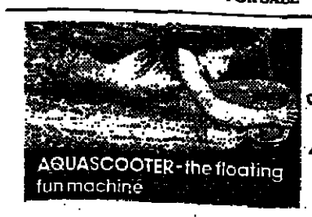
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cancer. Together, we can beat it.
You can help us beat cancer by making a legacy or sending a donation to Britain's largest supporter of cancer research
Cancer Research Campaign
Dept. T/24/8.2 Carlton House Terrace London SW1 5AR

Sell your Ceramics well at Phillips
To enter items in forthcoming sales telephone John Matthews 01-629 6602 Ext 243
7 Blenheim St, New Bond St, London W1Y 0AS

REDWINGS HORSE SANCTUARY
Hill Top Farm, Hall Lane Frettenham, Nr Norwich, Norfolk
Tel: Norwich 737432
We desperately need funds to feed + care for our ever increasing family of over 90 horses, ponies and donkeys which we have rescued from neglect & slaughter. Please send your donation or request for our newsletter to The Secretary at the above address.
"Adopt" one of our rescued horses & receive photographs & reports (minimum £5 yearly). Visitors welcome every Sunday 2–4.30pm.

FOR SALE



Normal Price £299 INC. VAT.
SPECIAL OFFER PRICE £249 INC. VAT.
Offer closes 30th September 1985
Send or phone for brochure and Special Offer order form.
Aquarius Marketing Limited
West Point, Aylwell Nr Baldock, Herts SG7 5PN
Tel: (0462 74) 2146

TRUSTEE ACTS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s 27 of the TRUSTEE Act, 1925 that any person having a CLAIM against or an INTEREST in the ESTATE of any of the deceased persons whose names, addresses and descriptions are set out below is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to the person or persons mentioned in relation to the deceased person concerned before the date specified, after which date the estate of the deceased will be distributed by the personal representatives among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

WAINWRIGHT Richard Butler of 8 Weydown Court, Weydown Road, Haslemere, Surrey, died on 13th March 1985. Particulars to Lickfolds Wilby & Powles, solicitors of 7 Upper Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, London W1Y 2BX before 25th October 1985.

BOOTH, Edith May, 14 Mayflower Way, Ongar, Essex, died on 14th November 1984, particulars to Robbins Olivey, Solicitors, of Fiske House, 10 Chertsey Road, Woking, Surrey, GU21 5AQ, before 31st October 1985.

ROBINSON Joan Isabel (otherwise Lorelei Robinson) of Said House, Chilenwick Mall, London, W4. Died on 18th July 1985. Particulars to Louis Courts (Solicitor) of 16 Wimpole Street, London, W1M 8AP before 25th October 1985.

ADAMS, David Stanley, Deceased, 12 Grasmere Road, Bare Morecambe, Lancashire died 7th February 1985. Particulars to Pearson, Martin-Kaye, Solicitors, Ideal Chambers, 1 Victoria Road, Shifnal, Shropshire TF11 8AF before 19th October 1985.

LEVIN, Mrs Mona, of 114 Chiltern Court, Baker Street, London NW1 died on 28th April 1985 particulars to Crangerwoods Solicitors of 1 Harley Street, London W1A 4DG before 25th October 1985.

MOTOR CARS

PANTHER KALLISTA 1.6 A Reg 1984, Red, 10,000 miles, £7,500. Tel 01-837 9708 day, 01-992 4279 eve.

SCIMITAR GTE. New, £1,000 off list price. Telephone Wolverhampton 24119. (T)

PROPERTY TO LET

GLOUCESTERSHIRE, COTSWOLDS To let for approx. 9 months. Beautiful detached 18thC cottage, 4 beds, 2 baths, garden. Telephone Nailsworth (0453) 833432.

SITUATIONS WANTED

EXP PA/SEC requires temp work. Exc. refs and C.V. avail. Save – agency markup. Tel: Jane 01-359 6949.

WINTER SPORTS

SKI BLADON LINES
YOUR BIGGEST CHOICE
MORE RESORTS –
MORE SERVICE
MORE OF A HOLIDAY
01-785 2200
Man Deps 0422 71220
ABTA ATOL 1232

WINTER 85/86
★ More Top Resorts ★ More Chalets ★ More Apartments ★ More Hotels
New Colour Brochure Out Now!
SkiMacG
Tel: 01-351 5446 (24hr)
ATOL 1337

CREME DE LA CREME

COSMETIC/MARKETING
MAYFAIR
The marketing manager of a leading French cosmetics group needs an intelligent secretary with vitality and motivation. You will be handling promotional products, distribution, mailing, as well as many other varied duties. Lots of client contact. Salary £8,300. Age 22-30. Skills 60/55. Free products.
Tel: 01-499

Saturday

Weekend television and radio programmes
Edited by Peter Davalle and Bob Williams

Sunday

BBC 1

7.10 **Open University.** The North Sea. 7.35 Evolution: Sexual Selection. 8.00 Caring for Health in Brazil. Ends 8.25.

8.30 **The Saturday Picture Show.** Guests are Phil Fearon and mime artist Adrian Hedley from *Jigsaw*. Gary Davies chats with Banarama and Chris Serle describes skippering a yacht on the Fastnet race.

11.00 **Every Day's a Holiday.** A 1964 musical featuring Freddie and the Dreamers. Photographed by Nicolas Roeg. A group of young Londoners working in a holiday camp seize the chance for fame and fortune by entering a televised talent contest. Ron Moody co-stars as an opera tutor.

12.30 **Grandstand.** Approximate timetable: 12.35 **Football Focus.** 1.00 **News.** 1.10 **Motor Racing** from Worcester, Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb. 1.30 **Athletics** from Zurich, and East Germany. 1.55 **Racing** from Goodwood. The March Stakes. 2.10 **Swimming** from Leeds, Hewlett-Packard ASA national championships. 2.25 **Racing.** The Lismore Stakes. 2.40 **Swimming.** 3.05 **Racing.** The Waterford Crystal Mile. 3.20 Show Jumping from Hickstead. 4.20 **Athletics.** 4.40 **Final Scores.**

5.05 **News.** 5.15 **Sport.**

5.20 **The New Adventures of Wonder Woman** starring Lynda Carter. Cleaning companies fight dirty in a struggle for a secret formula. Wonder Woman is called in to clean up. (Ceefax) (r).

6.10 **Anything Goes.** Slapstick night at Blackpool Tower (Ceefax).

6.55 **The Magnificent Two.** Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise's third film has the comedians as travelling salesmen caught up in a South American revolution. Business becomes complicated by Eric's strong resemblance to Torres, the revolution's recently deceased figurehead. Made in 1967.

8.30 **Are You Being Served?** The staff are given accommodation on the premises. Flat sharing brings predictable domestic discord. (Ceefax) (r).

9.00 **News and Sport.**

9.15 **Shogun.** Learning Japanese with Richard Chamberlain. Once again, Blackthorne saves Lord Toranaga's life in heroic circumstances. Blackthorne (Chamberlain) is rewarded with elevation to the rank of Samurai, the priviledged warrior class. But he is torn between the desire to wage war on the Portuguese black treasure ship and growing love for Lady Mariko (Ceefax) (r).

10.50 **Dolly Parton in London.** All the favourites you would expect from the big-hearted country lady (r).

11.40 **A Fine Madness.** Sean Connery plays Samson an angry poet suffering from writer's block whose only creative activity is fighting in Irwin Kershner's 1966 comedy. His wife Rhoda (Joanne Woodward) tricks him into a psychiatrist's clinic, where Samson finds amorous compensations. But the doctors have other designs on him. . . 1.20-1.25 **Weather.**

TV-am

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** with Henry Kelly. Guests include David Suchet, Nigel Rees and Natasha Richardson. Music from buskers Tony and Stod. Earthwatch on energy conservation at 7.18 and Ian Bolt's golf tips at 7.26. School's Out with Jana Asher at 8.15. Alison Rice reports on boating holidays at 8.20. Watch Trax with Tommy Boyd at 9.00.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **LWT Information.**

9.35 **Matt and Jenny on the Wilderness Trail.**

10.00 **Adventure of a Lifetime.** Travelling by native dugout canoe through crocodile-infested waters (r).

10.25 **Clash of the Monsters.** Hollywood special effects wizard Ray Harryhausen (r).

11.15 **The Champions.** The superhuman battle with the supernatural (r).

12.15 **World of sport.** 12.20 Motor Cycling: 250cc Challenge from Oulton park, Cheshire. 12.35 Cycling. World professional Championships from Vicenz, Italy. 12.45 **News.** 12.50 On the ball with Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves. 1.20 The ITV Six. 1.30 Newmarket. 1.45 Newcastle. 2.00 Newmarket. 2.15 Newcastle. 2.30 Newmarket. 2.45 Newcastle. 2.55 **Motor Cycling.** Final round of Superbike Challenge and Superstocks Challenge. 3.45 Half-Time Soccer Round-up. 4.00 **Tennis.** Martina Navratilova and Pam Shriver v Vitas Gerulaitis and Bobby Riggs. 4.45 **Results.**

5.00 **News.**

5.05 **Cartoon Time.**

5.15 **Happy Days.** More Nostalgia with the Fonz (Henry Winkler).

5.45 **Just Amazing!** Daring stunts (r).

6.30 **Kelly's Eye.** Joining the regulars are the groups Blancmange and Shakatak.

7.15 **Bottle Boys.** Situation comedy with a dairy full of clots and clowns (Oracle).

7.45 **Movie Premiere: Firefox.** Clint Eastwood leads the high-tech aviation action as Mitchell Gant, a haunted Vietnam War veteran given a mission to steal the Soviet Union's ultimate war plane, "Firefox". Directed by Eastwood from the exciting novel by Craig Thomas.

10.15 **The New Season on LWT.** Film Preview.

10.20 **News and sport.**

10.35 **Twenty years On.** David Frost is joined in the last programme of the series by people who have shaped Britain over the past 20 years. Low-life analysis is provided by E. L. Wisty, alias Peter Cook.

11.35 **London News headlines followed by The MTV Award Show.** MTV is the music cable channel that has launched dozens of British acts in the United States and become a dominant influence on music and style through the promotion of the ubiquitous pop video. This programme spotlights the year in rock videos.

1.45 **Night Thoughts** with Theresa Vanier of L'Arche Community followed by **Closedown.**



Emma Johnson in Gala Concert (Radio 2, 7.30pm). And, right Michael Redgrave and Ann Todd: Time Without Pity (Channel 4,11.15pm)

BBC 2

6.25 **Open University.** Display and Recording. 6.50 Social Science Research Methods. 7.15 Health Care in Mozambique (r). 7.40 Science: Snowdon to the Sea. 8.05 Origin of the Solar System. 8.30 Interpretation in the Arts. 8.55 The Mariner 9 Code. 9.20 Physics: Beyond Experience. 9.45 Inquiry: Kepler's War. 10.10 History: Industrial Strife. 10.35 Education for Adults. 11.00 Form and Function of Fossils. 11.25 Synthesis in the Laboratory. 11.50 The Paris Pantheon. 12.15 Telecommunications: Colour Television. 12.40 Things Present: Times Past. 1.05 The Tennessee Evolution Trial. 1.30 Chemistry: Hidden Heavens. 1.55 The Ravidasis of Birmingham. 2.20 Modern Art: Greenberg on Pollock. 2.45 *King Lear* Workshop (2).

3.10 **Saturday Cinema Double Bill: Duel at Silver Creek.** Sheriff Lightning Tyrone decides to rid Silver City of the claim jumpers terrorizing defenceless miners. Audie Murphy stars as the Silver Kid.

4.30 **Yankee Doodle Dandy".** James Cagney won an Oscar for his exuberant performance as George M. Cohan in this 1942 musical biography of the all-American vaudeville star who composed the First World War US anthem "Over There".

6.30 **The Sky at Night.** Mizar, second star in the "handle" of the Plough (r).

6.50 **The Booze Cruise.** Ray Gosling joins the duty free. "Euro shoppers" for a day trip from Portsmouth to Cherbourg (first shown on BBC South).

7.20 **News and Sport.**

7.40 **René Cutforth: From Our Special Correspondent.** Last programme recalling the life and work of the journalist René Cutforth (r).

8.30 **Concert Trilogy.** The Radio Symphony Orchestra of Basle take a fighthearted approach to Richard Strauss's "Burlesque"; Eugen d'Albert's Piano Concerto No 2 and Camille Saint-Saëns's "Symphonic Poem: Dance Macabre".

9.15 **Robert Altman's The Long Goodbye.** Elliott Gould gum chews Chandler's private detective Philip Marlowe into the 1970s whilst shambling through a mess of murder, blackmail and suicide. Co-starring Nina Van Pallandt.

11.05 **The Good Old Days.** Celebration of old time music hall (r). Ends 12.05.

CHANNEL 4

1.00 **I Could Do That.** Young People in Business (r).

1.30 **Ever Thought of Sport?** Canoeing (r).

2.00 **Inspector Hornleigh."** Comedy thriller featuring the character created by the Dutch writer Hans Pnwin for the BBC radio series **Monday Night at Eight.** Cockney comedian Gordon Harker takes the role of the Scotland Yard detective investigating a murder in a squalid lodging house in Edgware and the theft of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's bag. Directed in 1939 by Eugene Forde, a former child star.

3.25 **Top Secret."** Cold War satirical farce which gave George Cole a big career break. Cole plays a sanitary engineer taken to Moscow by the Russians in the belief that he is a top nuclear scientist.

5.05 **Brookside.** Omnibus edition (Oracle).

6.00 **Family Ties.** Macho, Jake Keaton crosses swords with his sensitive son.

6.30 **Babble.** Panel word game.

7.00 **News Summary and weather followed by Rejoice.** The theme is love, human and divine.

7.30 **Opinions: "Happy Families?".** Has the Pope modified the papacy?

8.00 **World of Animation.**

8.15 **The Boy in the Bush.** Rugged Australian outback adventure yarn with Kenneth Branagh as the skinny Pommie being turned into a man by rugged Aussies and the elements. Jack Grant has broken down the suspicion of the Ellis family, but has made an enemy of Red Esau, also attracted to the sloe-eyed beauty Monica. Based on the novel by D. H. Lawrence and Mollie Skinner (r).

9.15 **Fathers by Sons.** The actor Sir Michael Redgrave is seen through the eyes of his son Conn. Sir Michael, who died this year, appears in *Time Without Pity* at 11.15 and *Jeannie* on Wednesday.

10.15 **Hill Street Blues.** Renko is close to breaking down.

11.15 **Time Without Pity."** Murder mystery starring Michael Redgrave as a tortured alcoholic author racing against time to find evidence to save his son from the gallows. First feature film directed by Joseph Losey.

12.55 **France Tour Detour.** Jean-Luc Godard's video pieces on France as seen by young children. 12.20 **Close.**

BBC 1

6.45 **Open University.** Living with Past Technology. 7.10 Tunnels and Tunnelling. 7.35 An Ageing Population. 8.00 Molecular Biology: Antibodies. 8.25 Chemistry: History of Norethindrone.

8.55 **Play School.** Story: *Mrs Plug the Plumber* by Allan Ahlberg.

9.15 **Knock! Knock!** Treasure, stories.

9.30 **Pages from Ceefax.**

10.00 **Asian Magazine.** The Muslim festival of Id-ul-Adha.

10.30 **Morning Worship** live from The Greenbelt Festival, Castle Ashby, Northamptonshire, a non-denominational gathering of young Christians.

11.45 **Pages from Ceefax.**

12.35 **Farming** with Philip Wrixon and Dan Cherrington. 12.58 Weather news for farmers.

1.00 **News headlines.**

1.05 **Bonanza** starring Lorne Greene as Ben Cartwright. Jamie is deceived by a vagrant and becomes enchanted by a life on the road (r).

1.50 **Cartoon.** Poor Little Me.

2.00 **EastEnders.** Omnibus edition from Albert Square (Ceefax).

3.00 **The Pink Panther Show.** More cartoons.

3.20 **Film Matinée: The Hell-fighters.** Disaster movie with John Wayne as larger than life oil well fire fighter Chance Buckman. Made in 1968, it made full use of technical advice from Red Adair. Chance eventually fights one fire too many and is forced into a painful encounter with his estranged wife (Katharine Ross). But real men don't cry . . .

5.20 **The Rock 'n' Roll Years.** 1963 – Harold Wilson became leader of the Labour Party on Gaitskell's death; President Kennedy was shot – and Doctor Who was born. On the music front, the hits were provided by Bobby Vee, Gerry and the Pacemakers, Jan and Dean, The Beatles, Peter, Paul and Mary and The Searchers.

5.50 **Watchdog.** Some tips on how to avoid Bank Holiday rip-offs.

6.20 **Write Now!** Sue Townsend, creator of Adrian Mole, on the art of writing personal letters.

6.30 **News.**

6.40 **Songs of Praise** from Llandudno (Ceefax).

7.15 **The Watcher in the Woods.** American family rent isolated English country house only to be the victims of bizarre and frightening events linked to the death of girl 30 years earlier. Bette Davis leads the cast as an eccentric elderly widow, with David McCullum the composer confronted by a new definition of wind instruments (Ceefax).

8.35 **News and Weather News.**

8.50 **The Daughter-in-Law** by D. H. Lawrence. Set in 1912 in a Nottinghamshire mining community against the background of strike. Its play focuses on a mother's determination to cling on to her two youngest sons. With Sheila Hancock as the mother, Cherie Lunghi as her newest daughter-in-law and David Threlfall as the son pulled by competing emotions. Plenty of coal dust and conversation around the kitchen table (Ceefax).

10.30 **Choices.** Should the churches keep out of politics?

11.05 **The Rise and Fall of King Cotton** (r).

11.35 **History on Your Doorstep.** presented by Fred Housego. *Alloa: A Town Built on Water* (r). 12.00-12.05 **Weather.**

TV-am

6.55 **Good Morning Britain.** Thought for Sunday. 7.00 Rub-a-dub-tub (r). 8.00 Are you Awake Yet? with Sally Dewhurst and Peter Gosling. 8.28 News Headlines. 8.30 The Sunday Programme. David Frost and guests.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **LWT Information.**

9.30 **Roger Ramjet.** Comic strip.

9.45 **Snooper and Blabber.** Dopey detectives cartoons.

10.00 **Morning Worship** from the Temple Methodist Church in Taunton, Somerset.

11.00 **Getting On.** Gillian Reynolds on the trauma of caring for an elderly relative.

11.30 **In the Mouth of The Dragon.** Sheer hard work has given Hong Kong the highest standard of living in south-east Asia. But the agreement to hand over the colony to China has left its inhabitants in political limbo (r).

12.00 **Breadline Britain.** Why are people living in poverty when there is a welfare state? (r).

1.00 **The Smurfs.** Spring in the air (r).

1.30 **Groovy Ghoulies.** Animated monsters (r).

2.00 **The Lesson is Ulster.** Is religion at the heart of the province's violence?

2.30 **London News headlines followed by Bless This House.** Spin-off film from the television series, directed in 1972 by *Carry On* director Gerald Thomas. For the Abbot family (Sid James, Diana Coupland, Sally Geeson, Robin Askwith) the new next door neighbours, the Baines (Terry Scott, June Whitfield and Carol Hawkins) bring trouble.

4.00 **Survival.** Barn owls are dying out in Britain.

4.30 **Pretenders.** Fate, so often cruel to Elam and Perfect, can be kind (Oracle).

5.00 **Bullseye.** The darts game show.

5.30 **The Baron.** Rebel with a cause (r).

6.30 **News.**

6.40 **Appeal.** Katie Boyle appeals on behalf of the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals.

6.45 **Mary O'Hara and Friends.** With the Highcliffe Junior Choir, City of London Sinfonia.

7.15 **Winner Takes All.** Jimmy Tarbuck asks four new contestants to place their bets.

7.45 **Murder, Mystery, Suspense.** The Golden Gate Murders. A priest falls to his death from the Golden Gate Bridge. The official verdict is suicide, but the dead man's nurse, a nun (Susannah York) and a detective (David Janssen) set out to prove murder. More bodies pile up as the unlikely partnership blossoms (Oracle).

9.30 **News.**

9.45 **The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.** The Copper Beaches. Jeremy Brett returns as the pasty-faced Holmes and David Burke as a heavyweight Watson. Holmes is presented with a sinister puzzle by Violet Hunter (Natasha Richardson) whose employer insists that she cuts off her long hair (Oracle).

10.45 **Bassey! You Ain't Heard Nothing Yet.** Shirley Bassey in concert.

11.45 **London News headlines followed by American Documentary.** The rich are different.

12.40 **Night Thoughts** with the Rev Nicholas Bradbury followed by **Closedown.**





Shirley Bassey: back in Cardiff (ITV, 10.45pm). And Jeremy Brett (as Holmes), David Burke (Watson): The Copper Beeches (ITV, 9.45pm)

BBC 2

7.15 **Open University** Managing Work. France. 7.40 The Public Inquiry. 8.05 Modern Art: Pollock. 8.30 Computing at British Airways. 8.55 Maths Modelling: Sandcastles. 9.20 Meanings of Madness: (2) 9.45 Maths: Modelling, Surveys. 10.10 Klein's Unification of Geometry. 10.35 Statistics: Goodness of Fit. 11.00 Open Learning and Updating. 11.25 Mechanics: Vibration. 11.50 Biology: Photosynthesis. 12.15 Ethnic Minorities. 12.40 Subject Talk at School 1.05 The Internal Combustion Engine. 1.30 Mechanics: Car Suspensions.

1.55 **Sunday Grandstand. Show Jumping** from Hickstead. The Silk Cut Derby. **Motor Racing.** The Dutch Grand Prix at Zandvoort. **Swimming** from Leeds, the Hewlett-Packard ASA national championships. **Athletics** from Cottbus, the European Junior Championships.

6.50 **News Review** with subtitles.

7.15 **An Actor's Life for Me.** The price of fame – with lots, and lots of name dropping. Contributors include: Jane Asher, Jenny Agutter, Richard Briers, Eleanor Bron, Michael Gambon, Maureen Lipman, Ruth Madoc, Denis Quilley, Anton Rodgers, Leonard Rossiter and Max Wall.

7.45 **Top Crown.** First semi-final in the BBC 2 Invitation pairs Crown Green Bowling Tournament: Vernon Lee and Jim Hadfield against Frank Kitchen and Michael Eccles.

8.30 **The Book Game** introduced by Robert Robinson. Testing their literary knowledge are Jonathan Raban, Gillian Reynolds, Carmen Callil and Adam Mars-Jones.

9.00 **Robert Altman's Nashville.** Huge cinematic canvas of Nashville as the capital of country music and centre of intrigue, corruption and broken lives. A political campaign organizes a mammoth pop concert to gain support. The scenes are kaleidoscopic, fragmented and melodramatic as performers, fans, hopefuls and politicians gather in pursuit of the American Dream. Cast headed by Ronee Blakley, Ned Beatty, Karen Black, Keith Carradine and Geraldine Chapman – Carradine's song "I'm Easy" won an Oscar.

11.35 **Dutch Grand Prix** from the seaside circuit of Zandvoort.

12.10 **International Show Jumping** from Hickstead. Highlights of today's Derby.

12.50 **Music at Night.** Gordon Hunt (oboe) plays Britten's "Metamorphoses after Ovid" (Pan, Phaeton and Narcissus). Ends 1.05.

CHANNEL 4

1.00 **Irish Angle – All Ireland Gaelic Football.** Semi-final between last year's losing finalists, Dublin, and the champions from the west of Ireland – Mayo.

1.50 **The Vicious Circle."** Francis Durbridge thriller spiced with red herrings. John Mills plays a doctor framed for the murder of a film star (Lisa Daniely). Roland Culver is the disbelieving police inspector and Wilfrid Hyde White, a mysterious Special Branch figure.

3.25 **Green Hell."** Boys Own adventure melodrama transfers conventions of cowboys and Indians to the Amazonian jungle. A group of archaeologists are happily digging for Inca treasure until one is killed by a poison-tipped arrow. The bewildered survivors are soon at the mercy of the heat and hostile natives. Douglas Fairbanks Jr is their swash-buckling leader, with Joan Bennett as his romantic distraction.

5.05 **Shades of Green.** Molly Keane reminisces about her Anglo-Irish upbringing (r).

5.15 **News Summary and Weather followed by The First Christian.** St Paul's two great Letters to the Corinthians had an important effect on Christianity with regard to discipline and women. Presented by Karen Armstrong (r).

6.15 **The Mississippi.** Last episode in series about a New York lawyer trying to get away from it all on a riverboat.

7.15 **The Toast of New Orleans.** MGM musical starring Mario Lanza as a Louisiana fisherman groomed for operatic stardom in 1900s. Although endowed with a gem of a voice, this rough diamond has a tough time learning social graces required for his new profession and the wooing of Kathryn Grayson.

9.00 **Walking to New Orleans.** *The Tube* presenter and Squeeze keyboard player Jools Holland is given a one-way ticket to New Orleans – city of his dreams. The cameras capture Sting performing "New Moon Over Bourbon Street"; Fats Domino playing "Walkin' to New Orleans"; Johnnie Allan playing a swamp-pop version of Chuch Berry's "The Promised Land" and Lee Dorsey rendering "Working in A Coalmine". That is just for starters. . . .

10.30 **The Third Wave.** Alvin Toffler sees society as being the product of three great waves of changes. The first began 10,000 years ago with the creation of an agricultural society; the second 300 years ago with the industrial revolution – and the third is just beginning. 12.10 **Close.**

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; **Radio 2:** 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; **Radio 3:** 1215kHz/247m: VHF -90-92.5; **Radio 4:** 200kHz 1500m: VHF -92-95; **LBC** 1152kHz/261m; VHF 97.3; **Capital:** 1548kHz/194m: VHF 95.8; **BBC Radio London** 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; **World Service** MF 648kHz/463m.

Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF radio.

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News. 6.10 Prelude.† 6.30 News; Farming. 6.50 Prayer.

7.00 News. 7.10 Today's Papers. 7.15 On Your Farm. 7.45 In Perspective. 7.50 Down to Earth.

8.00 News. 8.10 Today's Papers. 8.15 Sport On 4.

9.00 News.

9.05 Click (advice on wildlife photography).

9.30 Profile of film director John Schlesinger (r).

9.50 News Stand. Max Hastings reviews the weekly magazines.

10.05 Talking Politics (Opposition trade and industry spokesman John Smith).

10.30 Pick of the Week.†

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent.

12.00 News; A Small Country Living. Jeanine McMullen explores rural Britain.

12.27 Quote . . . Unquote. Panel game. 12.55 Weather.

1.00 News.

1.10 Telling Tales. Frank Delaney on the after-dinner speech.

2.00 News; The Afternoon Play. "An Easy Game to Play" by Ray Connolly with Michael Angelis and Helena Breck.†

3.00 News; Radio Active (r).

3.30 Great Gardens. Hannah Gordon explores the history of water as a feature in British gardens.

4.15 An Encounter with the Stone Age. Earnst Witte in the highlands of New Guinea.

4.45 The Uncommon Touch. Tim McCartney, an apprentice Red Indian medicine man who lives in a tepee on Anglesey.

5.00 Wildlife.†

5.25 Aspects of the Fringe. Highlights from the 1985 Edinburgh Festival.

6.00 News; Sports Round-up.

6.25 Explorers Extraordinary. Mary Kingsley's travels in West Africa.

7.10 A Village Network. Margaret Horsfield visits the Pestalozzi Children's Village, Sussex.

7.45 Baker's Dozen. Richard Baker with records.†

8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre. "Rookery Nook" by Ben Travers, starring Ian Lavender. 9.58 Weather.

10.00 News.

10.15 Evening Service.†

10.30 Animal Language. How animals use sound for communication and navigation.

11.00 Science Now – In Passing. European Molecular Biology Laboratory above Heidelberg, West Germany.

11.30 In One Ear. Comedy Show.

12.00 News; Weather. 12.33am Shipping.

VHF (available in England and S. Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Programme News. 3.00-5.00 Options. 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Aubade: Lalo's Rhapsody No 2 (French National Radio Orchestra); Boccherini's Symphony in D Op 12 No 1 (New Philharmonia); Faure's Dolly Suite (Smith/Sellick); Rimsky-Korsakov's Quartet Movement (Les vendredis, Reger Quartet); Godard's suite Op 116 (Bennett/Benson); Harty's With the Wild Geese (Ulster Orchestra); Strauss's waltz Dynamiden.† 9.00 News.

9.05 Stereo Release: Mendelssohn's Konzertstuck No 1 Op 113 (Wurttenberg Chamber Orchestra); Dvorak's Terzetto in C Op 74; Beethoven's 32 Variations in C minor, WoO 80 (Gould, piano); Berlioz's Harold in Italy (Berlin PO, with Wolfram Christ, viola).

10.40 Bach on Record: Cello Suite No 1 in G, BWV 1007 (Casals). †

11.00 Edinburgh Festival: Polish Chamber Orchestra. Part 1 Britten's Simple Symphony; Mozart's Piano Concerto No 9, K 271 (Zacharias, piano) †.

11.50 It Couldn't Have Happened to a nicer Girl: story by Jack Trevor Story. Reader: Moir Leslie.

12.05 Concert: part 2 Lutoslawski's Funeral Music; Bartok's Music for strings, percussion and celesta.† 1.00 News.

1.05 Domenico Scarlatti: with BBC Singers, Margaret Phillips and Thomas Trotter (chamber organs). Alexander Baillie and Richard Campbell (cellos), Robin McGee (double bass). Includes works by Antonio Soler.†

2.00 Israel Piano Trio: Kodaly's Duo for violin and cello Op 7; Beethoven's Piano Trio in E flat Op 70 No 2.†

3.05 Beecham Conducts: Peer Gynt incidental music; Delius's Brigg Fair; Bizet's Symphony in C. Royal Philharmonic and Franch National RO.†

4.15 Clarinet and Piano: Victoria Soames (clarinet) and Julius Drake. Includes Tate's Prelude, Aria, Interlude and Finale.†

5.00 Jazz Record Requests: with Peter Clayton.†

5.45 Critics's Forum: with Philip Franch, Nigel Andrews, Owen Dudley Edwards Roger Savage, Marina Vaizey. Edinburgh Festival verdicts.

6.45 Music for the Iron Voice: organ recital by Nicholas Danby.†

7.10 A Tossed Coin: Ken Jones reads Will Cowburn's monologue.

7.30 Proms 1985: Pittsburgh SO. Part 1. Strauss's symphonic poem Don Juan; William Schuman's Symphony No 7 (Maazel conducts).†

8.15 Robin Harrick poetry: read by Ronald Pickup, Jill Balcon.

8.35 Proms (contd): Dvorak's Symphony No 9.†

9.30 Diderot: the Gentle Philosophe. Talk by Prof Maurice Cranston.

9.50 Russian Piano Music: recital by Gordon Fergus-Thompson. Balakirev, Glinka, and Scriabin. (Sonata No 3, Op 23).†

10.50 Bach on Record: Cello Suite No 2. BWV 1008 (Casals). Mono.

11.15 Romantic Motets: BBC Singers. Brahms, Bruckner and Vaughan Williams.† 11.57 News, until 12.00.

VHF only: Open University. From 5.35am to 6.55. Politics of Curriculum Change.

Radio 2

4.00am Simon Groom.† 5.00 George Ferguson.† 8.05 David Jacobs.† 10.00 Sounds of the 60s.† 11.00 Album Time.† 12.30 pm Hinge and Bracket.† 1.00 The Grumbleweeds. 1.30 Sport on 2. 6.00 Folk on 2. 7.00 Three in a Row. 7.30 Cricket Scoreboard; Gala Concert.† 9.30 String Sound.† 10.05 Martin Kelner.† 12.05am Night Owls.† 1.00 Jean Challis.† 3.00-4.00 Country Club.†

Radio 1

6.00am Mark Page. 8.00 Peter Powell. 10.00 Dave Lee Travis. 1.00 30 Years of Rock.† 2.00 Paul Gambaccini.† 4.00 Saturday Live.† 6.30 Andy Kershaw.† 7.30 Graham Bannerman. 9.30-12.00 Dbde Peach. VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00 With Radio 2. 1.00pm With Radio 1. 7.30-4.00am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Album Time. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty Four Hours. 7.30 From The Weeklies. 7.45 Network UK. 8.00 World News. 8.08 Reflections. 8.15 A Jolly Good Show. 8.00 World News. 8.08 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Prime Donna. 10.00 News Summary. 10.01 That s Trad. 10.15 Letter From America. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 About Britan. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Anything Goes. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 Saturday Special. 2.00 News Summary. 2.01 Saturday Special. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Saturday Special. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Saturday Special. 6.00 World News. 9.01 Keep to the Path. 9.15 What s New. 9.30 Feature. 10.00 World News. 10.09 From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30 New Ideas. 10.45 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letterbox. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Baker's Half Dozen. 1.00 News Summary. 1.01 Play Of The Week: The Go-Between. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Cambridge Buskers. 2.30 Sports Review. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 From Our Own Correspondent. 4.45 Financial Review. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours.

(All times in GMT)

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN

† Stereo. ★ Black and white. (r) Repeat

Regional variations, facing page

Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF stereo.

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News. 6.10 Prelude. 6.30 News; Morning has Broken.

7.00 News. 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Sumajhiye. 7.45 Bells. 7.50 Turning Over New Leaves.

8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday (Clive Jacobs). 8.50 Week's Good Cause.

9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers.

9.15 Letter From America, by Alistair Cooke.

9.30 Morning Service (from Cardiff).†

10.15 The Archers. Omnibus edition.

11.15 The Colour Supplement. Presented by Margo MacDonald.

1.00 The World this Weekend: News. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Family Firm. Fishing family on the east coast of Scotland.

2.30 The Afternoon Play. "Arrived Safe. Writing Later" by Stephen Duristone. With Worsley and Scott Cherry (r).†

4.00 News; Talking About Arthur. A tribute to the late Arthur Negus.

4.30 The Living World. Water-hole in the dry sands of Zimbabwe's Hwange National Park.

5.00 News; Travel.

5.05 Down Your Way. Brian Johnston visits Fishguard.

6.00 News.

6.15 Travelling Bass. Rodney Slatford on his guest professorship at Kusatsu Academy, Japan.

6.30 A Good Read. A choice of paperbacks.

7.00 Travel: Lord Jim (5).†

7.30 We Select An Englishman. A portrait of Arthur Sullivan, based on the composer's letters and diaries.†

8.30 Modern Monasticism. The Poor Clares.

9.00 News: Kidnapped And Catriona. (10) "Travels in Holland".†

10.00 News.

10.15 The Class Of 84: A Reunion. Chris Hawksworth catches up with Class 5R of Lawnswood Comprehensive in Leeds a year after they left school.

11.00 Grace In The Devil's Territory. The work of the playwright Dennis Potter.

11.15 You The Jury Radio Festival Special: a debate about the deregulation of radio.

12.00 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping.

VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55am-6.00am Weather; Travel. 6.45-7.45 Open University. 1.55-2.00 Programme News. 4.00-6.00 Options.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Walter Gieseking: piano. Brahms s Klavierstucke Op 119; Mendelssohn's Songs without Words Nos 1, 6, 12, 18, 20, 22, 25, 30. Brahms's Two Rhapsodies Op 79.†

8.00 Bach Cantatas: No 137. (Collegium Aureum/Tolz Boys Choir/soloists).†

8.20 Handel: Organ Concerto Op 4 No 3: Trio-Sonata in F, Op 2 No 4; Organ Concerto in D minor, Op 7 No 4.† 9.00 News.

9.05 Your Concert Choice: Haydn's Symphony No 8; Liszt's Transcendental Study No 10; Spohr's Duo Concertante Op 67 No 2 for two violins; Khachaturian's Clarinet Trio: Martinu's Symphony No 4.

10.45 Prom Talk: by Nicholas Kenyon and guests.

11.15 Edinburgh Festival: Orchestre National de France. with Alexandrino Milcheva (soprano). Part one. Duparc's Lenore: Berlioz's La Mort de Cleopatre.† 11.50 Words: talk by Nigel Andrews.

11.55 Concert: part two. Schmitt's La Tragédie de Salomé.†

12.30 Bach on Record: Cello Suite No 3 in C. BWV 1009 (Casals). Mono.

12.50 Wind Quintets: Mladi Ensemble. Taffanel's Quintet in G minor; Damase's Seventeen Variations Op 22.†

1.30 British Piano Music: Kathryn Stott plays Howells's Sonatina; Ferguson's Five Bagatelles; Scott's Lotus Land, etc; Tippett's Sonata No 2.†

2.15 Aci, Galatea e Polifemo: Handel's opera. With soloists Nelson, Cable and David Thomas. Academy of Ancient Music.†

3.50 Bax and Spohr: Park Lane Music Players. Bax's Octet for horn, piano, string sextet; Spohr's String Sextet Op 140.†

4.30 Haydn and Tchaikovsky: Patrick Addinall (trumpet), BBC Philharmonic. Haydn's Trumpet Concerto in E flat major; Tchaikovsky's Suite No 3 in G major.†

5.30 Scrap of Civilisation: World of Anthony Green. With Richard Cork (r).

6.00 Ulster Orchestra: with Heather Harper (soprano). Malcolm Williamson's Next Year in Jerusalem: Poems of Borges; Sibelius's Symphony No 3.

7.00 Jacques the Fatalist: Diderot's play translated by Michael Henry. With Norman Rodway, Christophe Fairbank, and John Rowe.

9.00 Bach: Mass in B minor, BWV 232. BBC Welsh SO/Swansea Bach Choir/Cardiff Polyphonic Choir/soloists Smith, Walker, Davies, Varcoe. Part 1.†

10.00 Poetry Now: with John Mole. Poems by, inter alia, Rachel Blake and Lawrance Sail.

10.20 Bach Mass: part two.†

11.30 Bach on Record: Cello Suite No 4. BWV 1010 (Casals). 11.57 News, until 12.00.

Radio 2

4.00am Simon Groom.† 6.00 George Ferguson.† 7.30 Roger Royle says Good Morning Sunday.† 9.00 Melodies For You.† 11.00 Desmond Carrington.† 1.00 Gloria Hunniford. 2.00 Stuart Hall's Summer Sounds. 6.30 Charlie Chester. 7.30 Cricket. 7.30 Glamorous Nights. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.00 Hundred Best Tunes. 10.05 Songs from the Shows. 10.45 Ronnie Smith at the piano. 11.00 Sounds of Jazz. 1.00am Jean Challis.† 3.00-4.00 Gloria Hunniford.†

Radio 1

6.0am Mark Page. 8.00 Peter Powell. 10.00 Steve Wright. 12.30pm Jimmy Savile's "Old Record" Club. 2.30 Adrian Juste. 4.00 Our Top Ten (Chas and Dave). 5.00 Top 40.† 7.00 Anne Nightingale.† 9.00 Jeff Young.† 11.00-12.00 The Ranking Miss P.† VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00 With Radio 2. 2.00pm Jerome Kern. 3.00 Alan Dell. 4.00 John Lawrenson sings. 4.30 Sing Something Simple. 5.00 With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

SUNDAY'S WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Five British Jazzmen. 7.00 News. 7.09 Twenty Four Hours. 7.30 From Our Own Correspondent. 7.50 Waveguide. 8.00 News. 8.08 Reflections. 8.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 9.00 News. 9.09 Review of British Press. 9.15 Sports Review. 9.45 Keep to the Path. 10.00 News 10.01 Story. 10.15 Classical Record Review. 11.00 News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 From Our Own Correspondent. 12.00 News. 12.01 Play Of The Week: The Go-Between. 1.00 News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours: 1.30 Empire of the Sun. 1.45 Tony Main Request Show. 2.00 News. 2.30 Mary. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Concert Hall. 4.00 News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Development '85. 5.00 News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours: 5.30 Sunday Half Our. 9.00 News. 9.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 10.00 News. 10.09 Under Plum Lake. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial Review. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letter From America. 11.30 Development '85. 12.00 News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Religious Service. 1.00 News. 1.01 Desert Island Discs. 1.45

TUC wants new union laws under Labour

By Donald MacIntyre, Labour Editor

The TUC will next month unite behind a far-reaching policy which commits it for the first time to seeking a "positive framework of law" in which unions can operate a Labour government.

In a move which will be welcomed by Mr Neil Kinnock, the leader of the Labour Party, the Transport and General Workers' Union has modified significantly its hard line demand for unconditional repeal of the Government's labour laws and for the return of "all funds seized or exacted" from unions as a result of these laws.

After 48 hours of discussions involving TUC and Labour Party leaders, a composite motion was agreed yesterday for next month's Congress at Blackpool which seeks a "major" review of the industrial relations legislation and what should replace it under a Labour government. The review would be completed in time for next year's Congress.

The composite motion – which willnow be supported by big unions across the political spectrum – demands the repeal of the 1980 and 1982 Employment Acts, along with the 1984 Trade Union Act, in the first Parliamentary session under a Labour administration.

But, equally significantly it seeks their replacement by "a positive framework of law to extend collective bargaining and extend individual and collective rights at work".

On the bitterly controversial question of reimbursing unions with funds seized from unions which have come into conflict with the laws, the composite motion now simply says that a policy will have to be formulated. Centre-right unions are certain to take the opportunity during the year-long review to argue that such a demand would damage Labour's election chances.

The motion, which will be proposed by the Transport and General Workers' Union and seconded by the Civil and Public Services Association, will be seen as a break with the traditional view among unions that the law is of little or no benefit to them.

It is likely to be regarded by TUC and Labour Party leaders as opening the way to preserving many of the balloting provisions of the current legislation which Mr Kinnock as said he wants kept under a Labour government.

It also marks a decisive victory for those who favour a new system of legal rights for trade unions over more traditionalist union leaders who merely wanted the restoration of immunities dating back to 1906 which were severely limited by the present Government.

Although the review will have no direct bearing on the unions' attitudes to the current legislation – and indeed confirms specifically the TUC's policy of non-co-operation with the 1980 and 1982 Acts – it is likely to have an indirect bearing on the mood of the unions.

The motion provides for consultation by the TUC of its affiliates during the course of the review. Some centre-right trade union leaders believe this could take the form of a conference of executives which could reopen the TUC's three-year-old Wembley policy of non-co-operation, including the thorny question of the boycott of government funds for ballots.

Bonn agents leave East

Continued from page 1

for East Germany, including a long-time aide to a Bonn Cabinet minister, have disappeared this month.

West German newspapers to be published today give details of the agents reportedly being brought of the East. *Express*, a Cologne newspaper, known for its contacts with West German government officials, said "several agents" had been recalled.

The mass-circulation *Bild* newspaper, quoting sources in Bonn, reported that two important West German secret informants in East German had fled to West Berlin.

West German government officials refused to comment on the reports which here released in advance of publication.

Steel town says it with flowers





In bloom, today's Rotherham displays massed flowers (left) and a fountain in the town centre, enjoyed by twins Paula and Claire Hyland, aged 9.

By Patricia Clough

The sparrows in Rotherham town centre do not cough any more, they tweet. And so far as can be established they fly forward, it no longer being necessary to keep the dirt out of their eyes.

This phenomenon was recorded last week by a *Times* expeditionary party dispatched to the North to investigate reports that Rotherham had dropped out of the league of grim northern towns – chief rivals: Wigan and Scunthorpe – to be laughed at in comedians' jokes.

For the second year running Rotherham has shattered its own image by winning the Yorkshire and Humberside regional section of the Britain in Bloom competition, beating, of all places, the beautiful city of York. And last week it was announced that it had come sixth in the all-England round.

"You southerners think there is nothing north of Watford", city officials said. "You have got entirely the wrong impression of Rotherham."

Certainly 200 years of history as one of Britain's leading steel and coal towns do not prepare visitors for the masses of petunias, geraniums, lobelias, fuchsias, and roses at every street corner and open space, hanging from buildings, piled into carts, troughs and containers: or for the trees, the fountains and the birdsong in the heart of the town.

For 200 years Rotherham was able to say proudly, "where there's muck there's brass." But the producers of muck, the steel furnaces and the coal mines, are shrinking and closing, brass is scarce and jobs are even scarcer.

So with unemployment running at up to 25 per cent in some parts the council is brightening up the city as part of its efforts to attract new industry: light engineering, manufacturing and electronics.

This year it has planted 300,000 bedding-out plants around the town centre, strung up 350 hanging baskets and placed 340 containers, and is planting trees at the rate of 2,500 a year. Shops and companies have planted or sponsored their own.

Great cooling towers and factory chimneys have been plucked from the skyline, spare land has been grassed an mown.

Thanks to the Clean Air Act, parks department officials say, they can grow the same plants as any southern town.

With its mixture of unmemorable Victorian and twentieth century buildings Rotherham will never be in the same league as Bath or Canterbury. But the assistant director of amenities and recreation, Mr Mike Chance says the town is determined to win the all-Britain prize one day.



In gloom, a chemical plant polluting the old Rotherham a few years ago.

800 pupils arrested in Soweto crackdown

Continued from page 1

Brigadier Coetzee said the pupils, when approached outside the school premises by troops, started stoning their vehicles. While some were being arrested, others fled into the school and were arrested in or near the school buildings.

Troops cordoned off the entrance to Moroka police station as parents arrived to find out what had happened to their children.

The Soweto crackdown in the wake of a big flare-up in the black township outside Aliwal North, in the Eastern Cape, where at least seven people have been killed and 26 injured by police gunfire in the past 24 hours.

The police said they were forced to disperse a "large mob of stone-throwers with tear smoke, rubber bullets and shotgun fire".

In two days of violence in the township at least eight people have been killed by police, who claim that mobs have petrol-bombed shops and private homes and stoned police and other official vehicles. Last night a curfew was imposed on the township.

In another development, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, the Zulu leader, returned last night from a visit to Israel, and declared that there were many members of the police and Defence Force "whose fingers are itching to shoot kaffirs".

The chief, who has been criticized frequently by black radicals for his moderate line, said: "I have never criticized my black brothers in the African National Congress for taking up violence."

But he added that he could not see how unarmed blacks could take on South Africa militarily and he could not expect them to give up their lives. He believed in non-violence "as a noble cause".

He added: "Time is on our side. I have no doubt whatsoever that this country will be liberated. But purely on the basis of logistics I can't see how to take on South Africa militarily."

● **Mandela march:** The anti-apartheid leader the Rev. Alan Boesack announced plans for a mass march next week to the prison outside Cape Town where Mr Nelson Mandela is held (Reuter reports).

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

New exhibitions

Joseph Farquharson of Finzean: Aberdeen Art Gallery. Schoolhill Aberdeen: Mon-Fri 10-5, Thur 10-8, Sun 2-5, Sat closed (ends Sept 28).

Last chance to see

Children's book week: Municipal Museum and Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Mount Pleasant, Tunbridge Wells; 10-5.30 (ends today).

Pilgrims by Markets Luskacova, Wakefield Art Gallery, Wentworth Terrace, Wakefield; 10-30 to 12.30, 1.30 to 5.30 (ends today).

Music

Kingdom of Mourne Pipe Band championships, Kilkeel High School Grounds, N Ireland, 12.

Festival of British Youth Orchestras: concerts by the Caledonia Brass, 12.30 and the Edinburgh University Chamber Orchestra, 7.30, Central Hall, Tollcross, Edinburgh.

St Andrew and St George Early Music Festival: Baroque Suites and Concertos by the Holm Pierrepont Opera Trust Orchestra, 1 to 2: "If music and sweet poetry agree" (sonnets by Shakespeare and lute music by John Dowland) 6 to 7; St Andrew and St George's Church, George St, Edinburgh.

Edinburgh International Festival 1985: song recital by Helene Delavault with Yves Prin (piano), Amour et Trahison, L'Institut Francais D'Ecoss, 13 Randolph Crescent, Edinburgh, 7.

The Maltings Proms: Concert by the New Swingle Singers – Basically Bach, Snape Maltings Concert Hall, Suffolk, 7.30.

Tomorrow

Summer recital by Daphne Arlw, Graham Harvey and Marc Rochester, Ballaywillan Presbyterian Church, Portrush, N Ireland, 8.30.

Organ recital by Alistair Pow, St Andrew's Cathedral, Inverness, 7.30.

General

Craft and flower festival, All Saint's Parish Church, Chigwell Row, Essex, 11 to 7.

Arundel Festival, Sussex (until Sept 1).

Steam Event at Birmingham Railway Museum, 10 to 5.

Steam Event at Dinting Railway Centre, Glossop, Derbyshire, 10.30 to 5.

Mediaeval jousting tournament and craft fair, British Jousting Centre, Chilham Castle, nr Canterbury, Kent, 11.

Steamday at Didcot railway centre, Oxford, 11 to 5.

Yorkshire Museum of Farming Country craft fair, York, 10.30 to 6.

Ingleton Craft Fair, Yorkshire Dales, 10 to 5.

Malmesbury Carnival Week, Wiltshire, (until Aug 31).

Roads

Wales and West: Heavy traffic on A4139 at Tenby and Pembroke Dyfed. M4: Contraflow E of junction 24 (the Coldra), also E of Magor, (junction 23). Gwent. Eastbound traffic reduced to single line; entry slip eastbound at junction 24 closed 7am to 7pm daily.

Midlands: M5: Contraflow between junction 4 (Bromsgrove) at junction 5 (Droitwich) Hereford and Worcester. Delays at peak times. M1: Contraflow at junction 14 (Milton Keynes) Buckinghamshire: all traffic sharing northbound carriageway. Only northbound exit road open. Use junction 13 and 14 (alternatives). A57 Lincoln to Worksop road reduced to one lane near Lincoln racecourse. A8: Extra traffic expected over weekend, near Rushden, Northants. A4/A444: Congestion likely on routes throughout weekend, near Stoneleigh, Kenilworth.

North: M6: Lane closures on both carriageways between junction 32 (Preston) and junction 33 (A6 to Lancaster South), Lancs. A666/A570: Extra traffic today, near Southport. M62: Northbound carriageway closed at junction 7 (A56 Chester Road, Greater Manchester) from 7pm Friday until late Monday evening. Signposted diversions. M62: Southbound carriageway restricted to one lane at junction 1 (Eccles Interchange); work from 8am until 4pm today. Severe congestion expected from motorists heading for Manchester Airport.

Scotland: Roads in Edinburgh will be busy throughout weekend; should avoid city centre. M74/A74: Roadworks at several locations between Carlisle and Glasgow, Dumfries; worst delays between M6 at Carlisle and Gretna. M8: All traffic sharing one carriageway at junction 25 (Hillington interchange to W of Glasgow Strathclyde).

Information supplied by AA.

In the garden

The more than adequate rains this year have washed (leached) plant foods down in the soil, in many cases below the level of the shallow – rooted plants. So it will be wise to apply a general fertilizer to growing crops and to any ground intended for planting in the near future.

Grass is very shallow rooted and will benefit from one or two applications of an autumn lawn fertilizer.

Weeds have made vast growth in lawns and elsewhere, so in addition to fertilizer, a treatment with a selective weedkiller, while the weather is still reasonable warm, would be worth while. One can, of course, apply a "weed and feed" combined fertilizer and weedkiller.

Slugs love showery weather and wet soil. The more we kill now with slug bait or liquid slug killer, the fewer we will have next year.

Rambler and climbing roses should be pruned now. Cut out the stems of rambler roses that carried flowers earlier on; if climbing roses have made new growths tie these to their supports, bending them over as nearly horizontal as possible to encourage flowering side growths. Remove old branches if there is plenty of new growth.

Parsley sown in August will not run to seed next year – so we get two years' crops.

RH

Gardens open

P=Plants for sale.

TODAY AND OTHER DAYS

Hereford and Worcester: Stone House Cottage Gardens, Stone, 2m E of Kidderminster via A448 towards Bromsgrove; sheltered wall garden, rare wall shrubs and climbers, interesting herbaceous, P in adjacent nurseries; also open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays; also open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturday until December 15; 10 to 6; open on Mondays 2 to 6 0

TOMORROW

Aberdeenshire: Tillypronie, Tarland; herbaceous borders, terraced garden; loch at the bottom, shrubs, heaths, trees, vegetable garden; 2 to 5

Dorset: Two gardens at Ansty, 12m W of Dorchester; take A35 Dorchester – Blandford. Forum then A354 at Puddletown; Ivy Cottage, 1½ acres, excellent plantsman's garden, herbaceous and moisture loving plants; P. Alter Green, 1 acre, typical Dorset cottage garden, unusual trees, shrubs and perennials; 2 to 5.30;

Avon: The Manor house, Walton-in-Gordano, 2m NE of Clevedon, off B3124 Clevedon-Portishead; 4, acres, mainly shrubs, fine trees, alpines and herbaceous; P; 2 to 6.

Buckinghamshire: twenty gardens in West Wycombe, 2½ miles beyond High Wycombe on A40 London to Oxford; 2 to 6

TOMORROW AND MONDAY

Cambridgeshire: Duxford Mill Garden, 9m S of Cambridge on B1379, off A505, Royston-Newmarket, 1½m from junction 10 M11; borders of roses beside River Cam, water garden and fowl; P; 2 to 7.

TOMORROW AND MONDAY

Suffolk: Otley Hall, Otley, 7m N of Ipswich, off B1079; 10 acres, herbaceous borders, roses, shrubs, many interesting plants; 2 to 6.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.07	1.97
Austria Sch	28.10	28.70
Belgium Fr	81.90	78.10
Canada $	1.55	1.38
Denmark Kr	14.52	13.82
Finland Mkk	8.56	8.18
France Fr	12.17	11.62
Germany DM	3.985	3.805
Greece Dr	187.00	178.00
Hong Kong $	11.25	10.75
Iceland Kr	1.283	1.223
Italy Lire	2880.00	2560.00
Japan Yen	347.00	330.00
Netherlands Gld	4.49	4.28
Norway Kr	11.86	11.31
Portugal Esc	234.00	223.00
South Africa Rd	4.00	3.40
Spain Pta	231.50	220.50
Sweden Kr	12.00	11.45
Switzerland Fr	3.27	3.11
USA $	1.46	1.40
Yugoslavia Dnr	400.00	375.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business

Retail Price Index: 375.7.

London: The *FT* index closed 4.2 up at 991.4.

Anniversaries

Births: George Stubbs, animal painter, Liverpool, 1724; William Wilberforce, Hull, 1759; Thomas Chatterton, poet, committed suicide, London, 1770; James Weddell, explorer, Ostend, 1787; Sir Max Beerbohm, London, 1872; Graham Sutherland, London, 1903; Alfred Stevens, painter, died, Paris, 1906; Mount Vesuvius erupted destroying Pompeii and Herculaneum; 200,000 people lost their lives; among them was Pliny the Elder, historian and naturalist AD79. The massacre of the Huguenots began in Paris; throughout France, 70,000 were killed, 1572. The Act of Uniformity came into force requiring the clergy to assent publicly to The book of Common Prayer, 1662. Today is the Feast of Saint Bartholomew who is identified with Nathanael (John i, 45).

TOMORROW

Bret Harte, writer was born, Albany, New York, 1835. Deaths: David Hume, philosopher, Edinburgh, 1776; James Watt, Heathfield, Birmingham, 1819; Sir William Herschel, astronomer, Slough, Buckinghamshire, 1822.

Portfolio

For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 00).

Share No	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Weekly Total
1	+5	+4	+2	+1	+2		
2	+6	+2	+4	+1	+3		
3	+5	+2	+2	+1	+5		
4	+4	+3	+5	+1	+5		
5	+6	+1	+2	+1	+4		
6	+4	+4	+4	+1	+5		
7	+6	+4	+2	+2	+3		
8	+4	+1	+5	+2	+4		
9	+5	+4	+2	+1	+3		
10	+4	+2	+5	+2	+4		
11	+3	+1	+5	+2	+4		
12	+2	+2	+7	+1	+1		
13	+3	+5	+6	+4	+2		
14	+3	+4	+7	+2	+5		
15	+5	+3	+5	+5	+2		
16	+6	+2	+6	+3	+4		
17	+2	+5	+5	+1	+2		
18	+5	+2	+4	+5	+1		
19	+3	+5	+5	+5	+2		
20	+2	+1	+7	+1	+2		
21	+5	+2	+3	+7	+2		
22	+6	+1	+3	+3	+4		
23	+2	+5	+2	+4	+4		
24	+4	+2	+5	+3	+2		
25	+7	+2	+3	+3	+3		
26	+2	+2	+7	+1	+2		
27	+3	+1	+5	+5	+4		
28	+7	+3	+3	+5	+2		
29	+3	+5	+4	+3	+2		
30	+7	+2	+2	+3	+2		
31	+5	+2	+2	+3	+3		
32	+6	+2	+5	+2	+6		
33	+8	+5	+2	+2	+3		
34	+5	+3	+4	+2	+5		
35	+8	+1	+7	+1	+3		
36	+7	+5	+2	+1	+4		
37	+4	+2	+4	+2	+2		
38	+4	+3	+2	+3	+3		
39	+8	+2	+1	+1	+3		
40	+7	+2	+7	+2	+6		

Weather

A deep depression over Northern Scotland will continue to move NE into North Sea.

London, East Anglia, central S England, E, W Midlands: Sunny intervals and scattered showers developing; wind SW to W fresh or strong, max temp 17 to 18C (63 to 66F).

SE England, Channel Islands: Cloudy with rain soon dying out, sunny intervals and scattered showers developing; wind SW to W, strong with gales along coasts at first; max temp 16 to 18C (61 to 64F).

E, central N, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee: Sunny intervals and scattered showers developing; wind SW to W fresh or strong; max temp 15 to 17C (59 to 63F).

SW, NW England, S N Wales, Lake District: Showers, some heavy, also bright or sunny intervals; wind SW becoming NW strong with gales on coasts; max temp 15 to 17C (59 to 63F).

Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Showers or longer periods of rain, bright or sunny intervals; wind W to NW, strong with gales around coasts; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59F).

Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rain, heavy at times, hill fog; wind E to NE fresh or strong becoming NW fresh later; max temp 12 to 14C (54 to 57F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Sunny intervals and showers dying out from W later. Temperatures near or a little below normal.

SEA PASAGES: North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind S veering SW strong to gale force locally, severe gale force at first; English Channel (E), St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind S veering SW, strong to gale force, sea very rough.



Lighting-up time

TODAY

London 8.35 pm to 5.32 am
Bristol 8.44 pm to 5.42 am
Edinburgh 8.55 pm to 5.33 am
Manchester 8.45 pm to 5.38 am
Penzance 8.53 pm to 5.56 am

TOMORROW

London 8.33 pm to 5.33 am
Bristol 8.42 pm to 5.43 am
Edinburgh 8.56 pm to 5.35 am
Manchester 8.45 pm to 5.37 am
Penzance 8.51 pm to 5.58 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	c	15	59	Guernsey	c	16	61
Birmingham	c	15	59	Inverness	c	14	57
Blackpool	r	14	57	Jersey	c	17	63
Bristol	c	16	61	London	f	17	63
Cardiff	c	15	59	Manchester	c	15	59
Edinburgh	r	14	57	Newcastle	f	17	63
Glasgow	r	14	57	Roosidaway	f	14	57

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm: 18C (64F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 13C (55F). Humidity: 6 pm, 61 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.0in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 3.3. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1012.8 millibars. Falling.

1,000 millibars=29.53

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Guernsey 21C (70F); lowest day max: Mull of Galloway 13C (55F); highest rainfall: Tiree 1.09in; highest sunshine: Lerwick 8.2hr

© TIMES NEWSPAPERS LIMITED. 1985. Printed and published by Times Newspapers Limited, P.O. Box 7, 200 Gray's Inn Road, London, WC1X 8EZ, England. Telephone: 01-837 1234. Telex: 25971. SATURDAY AUGUST 24 1985. Registered as a newspaper at the Post Office.

High tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TOMORROW	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	8 21	6 0	8.41	6 1	London Bridge	9 30	5 9	10 04	6 0
Aberdeen	8 12	3.6	8.57	3 3	Aberdeen	9 36	3.5	10 14	3 4
Avonmouth	1 21	10.9	1.56	10 3	Avonmouth	2 33	10 0	3 23	9 9
Belfast	5.51	3.2	6.23	3 0	Belfast	7 11	3 0	7 48	2 9
Cardiff	1 06	10 1	1.41	9 6	Cardiff	2 18	9 3	3 08	9 3
Devonport			12.23	4 6	Devonport	1 00	4 4	1 46	4 4
Dover	5 35	5.6	6.08	5.6	Dover	6 50	5.3	7 28	5 3
Falmouth	11 53	4.4			Falmouth	12 30	4 2	1 16	4 2
Glasgow	7 10	4.5	7 36	4 1	Glasgow	8 08	4 1	8 55	3 9
Harwich	6 15	3.3	6 37	3.4	Harwich	7 27	3 1	8 04	3 3
Holyhead	4.53	4.8	5 40	4.5	Holyhead	6 23	4 5	7 10	4 5
Hull	12 36	6.3	1.01	6 3	Hull	1 49	6 0	2 30	6 0
Ilfracombe	12 08	7 7	12.43	7.3	Ilfracombe	1 21	7 1	2 05	7 0
Leith	9 27	4.8	10.05	4.6	Leith	10 45	4 7	11 25	4 6
Liverpool	5 41	8.8	6.28	7 6	Liverpool	7 02	7 5	7 50	7 5
Lowestoft	4.14	2.9	4.31	2.3	Lowestoft	5 24	2 0	5 54	2 2
Margate	3.30	4.1	6.50	4.3	Margate	7 38	4 0	8 10	4 1
Milford Haven	12.27	5.8	1 04	5.5	Milford Haven	1 42	5 4	2 28	5 3
Newquay			12.03	5.6	Newquay	12 42	5 5	1 28	5 4
Oban			12.42	2.9	Oban	1 39	2 8	3 04	3 0
Penzance	11.41	4.6			Penzance	12 20	4 4	1 03	4 4
Portland	12.53	1.8	1.24	1.5	Portland	1 59	1 4	2 47	1 5
Portsmouth	8.06	4.0	8.44	4 0	Portsmouth	7 30	3 8	8 04	3 9
Shoreham	5.33	5.1	6.13	5 1	Shoreham	6 55	4 8	7 41	4 9
Southampton	5.37	3.9	6 16	4.0	Southampton	7 05	3.8	7 40	3 9
Swansea	12.33	7.9	1 14	7.6	Swansea	1 50	7.4	2 41	7 4
Tees	10.39	4.5	11.21	4.3	Tees			12 06	4 4
Walton-on-Naze	6 12	3.5	6.33	3 7	Walton-on-Naze	7.24	3 4	8 00	3 5

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.280ft.

TODAY	Sun (rises:	Sun sets:	TOMORROW	Sun Rises:	Sun sets:
	6 00 am	8 05 pm		6 02 am	8 03 pm
	Moon rises: 4.47 pm	Moon sets: 11.45 pm		Moon rises: 5 51 pm	Moon sets: 12.39 am Tomorrow

Full Moon: August 30

Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	F		Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	F	
EAST COAST					WEST COAST					
Scarboro	1.0	.05	16	61	Cloudy	Ilfracombe	–	.57	16	61 Rain
Bridlington	0.5	.10	15	61	Rain pm	Tenby	–	.48	16	61 Rain
Cromer	1.2	.16	17	63	Dull	Colwyn Bay	–			
Lowestoft	0.8	–	18	64	Cloudy	Southport	0.3	.13	15	59 Rain pm
Clacton	2.1	–	19	66	Cloudy	Morecambe	–	.31	15	59 Rain
Margate		.08	18	64	Cloudy	Douglas	0.2	.24	18	56 Rain pm
SOUTH COAST					ENGLAND AND WALES					
Folkestone	2.9	.02	18	64	Cloudy	London (Clr)	3.1	–	18	64 Cloudy
Hastings						S'hmpt (Airpt)	–	.06	16	61 Rain pm
Eastbourne	3.8	–	18	64	Bright	Bristol (Clr)	0.3	.05	16	61 Showers
Brighton	2.3	.02	17	63	Cloudy	Cardiff (Clr)	0.2	.04	16	61 Rain pm
Worthing	2.3	–	18	64	Cloudy	Anglesey	0.5	.27	15	59 Rain pm
Littlehmpton	1.9	–	18	64	Cloudy	S'pool (Airpt)	0.6	.14	15	59 Rain
Bognor R	2.9	–	17	63	Bright	Manchester	–	.18	15	59 Rain pm
Southsea	0.7	–	17	63	Cloudy	Nottingham	–	.19	15	59 Rain pm
Sandown	1.1	–	19	64	Bright	N'cstl-n-Tyne	2.2	.04	17	63 Rain pm
Shanklin	0.8	–	17	63	Cloudy	Carlisle	–	.08	17	16 61 Rain pm
Bournemth	1.0	–	18	64	Cloudy	SCOTLAND				
Poole	0.6	–	17	63	Cloudy	Edinbrgh (Clr)	0.6	.19	13	55 Rain
Swanage	0.5	–	17	63	Cloudy	Prestwick	1.5	.05	15	59 Rain
Weymouth	0.4	–	17	63	Cloudy	Glasgow	0.1	.03	15	59 Rain
Exmouth	0.2	–	18	61	Cloudy	Tiree	0.7	1.09	13	55 Rain
Teignmouth	–	–	18	64	Cloudy	Stornoway	2.7	.15	14	57 Rain

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow

	C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	27	81	cCologne		18	64	Majorca			Rome	s	38	82
Alicante	s	34	93	Copenhgn	r	17	63	Malaga			Salzburg	s	25	77
Alexandria	s	35	95	Corfu	s	31	88	Malta	s	30	86	Sao Paulo*	c	20	68
Algiers	s	31	88	Dublin	r	13	55	Melbourne	c	13	55	S Francisco*	f	16	61
Amsterdam	f	19	66	Dubrovnik	s	30	86	Mexico C*	f	19	66	Santiago*	c	12	54
Athens	s	32	90	Faro	s	29	84	Miami*	f	31	88	Seoul	f	32	90
Bahrain	s	35	102	Florence	s	33	91	Milan	s	31	88	Singapore	s	31	88
Barbados*	s	24	75	Frankfurt	r	22	72	Montreal*	f	22	72	Stockholm	f	13	55
Barcelona				Funchal	s	26	79	Moscow	c	19	66	Strasbourg	f	24	75
Beirut				Geneva	s	25	77	Munich	f	24	75	Sydney	f	20	68
Belgrade	s	32	90	Gibraltar	fg	23	73	Nairobi	c	18	64	Tangier	s	28	82
Berlin	f	21	70	Helsinki	c	14	57	Naples	s	31	88	Tel Aviv	s	36	97
Bermuda				Hong Kong	f	31	88	New Delhi	s	31	88	Tenerife			
Biarritz	f	24	75	Innsbruck				New York				Tokyo	s	30	86
Bologne	c	16	61	Istanbul	s	28	82	Nice	s	27	81	Toronto*	f	20	68
Bordeaux	c	23	73	Jaffa	s	35	95	Oslo	f	19	66	Tunis	s	33	91
Brussels	f	18	64	Jo'burg				Paris	f	20	68	Valencia			
Budapest	s	29	84	Karachi	f	29	84	Peking	f	25	77	Vancouver*	s	17	63
Buen Aires*	s	13	55	Las Palmas				Perth				Venice	s	32	90
Cairo	s	38	100	Lisbon	s	24	75	Prague	r	23	73	Vienna	r	23	73
Cape Tn	f	15	59	Locarno	s	26	79	Reykjavik	f	13	55	Warsaw	f	21	70
C'blanca	s	27	81	L Angeles*	s	22	72	Rhodes	s	31	88	Washington*	c	24	75
Chicago				Luxemburg	r	19	66	Riyadh				Wellington*	c	12	54
Ch'church*	s	13	55	Madrid				Rio de Jan	s	30	86	Zurich	s	23	73

* denotes Thursday's figures are latest available

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,824

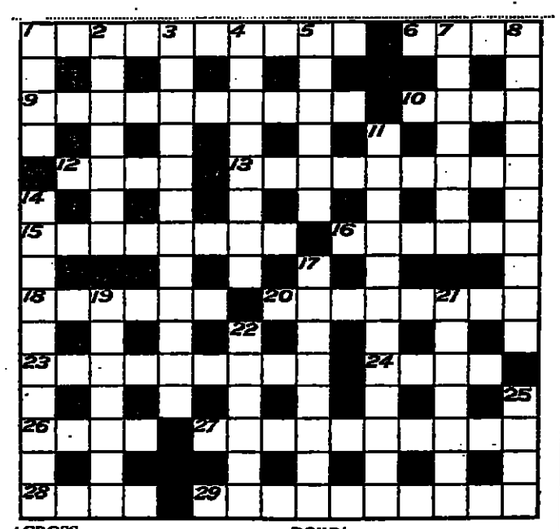
1 prize of The Times Atlas of the World *(comprehensive edition) will be given for the first three correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.*

The winners of last Saturday's competition are: Mr W. P. A. Winton, 47 Curzon Park South, Chester; Miss H. Turnbull, 20 Hermitage Close, London Road, Slough, Berks.; Miss F. M. Downie, Altgolach, Pennull Brodick, Isle of Arran.

Name.....

Address.....

.....



Solution of Puzzle No 16,818

SETSQUARES FRAU
E T U L N A P
MAGNACARTA SKIP
I R R I B E E
HEATHERGANSER
T S E I E T U C
MISTRESSHAPER
P D T A U
RUBBER COINAGES
O C M H A T
BLACKBURN WILD
A R S S E I H
BADE REPUPLICAN
L E U L L I G
EARN SMALLSCALE

Solution of Puzzle No 16,823

BOTTLENECK SPOT
I A I O A E H
DELIBERATE GOBI
S E E M C R
GREATHEARTED
U A E S O C
OVERLORDS TYROL
N V P E O E I A
SIENA MINORCANS
E R A O L S
QUARTERSTAFF
U T Y R I A E
ERIE VICTORIANA
N O E L T R L
TENT OSTENSIBLE

ACROSS

1 Air comes from this small chest wound (7,3).
6 Finish snuff (4).
9 Deliberate cut called a re-shuffle (10).
10 Count nameless for so long in Italy (4).
12 Commons conference (4).
13 Deep breath? (3,6).
15 Going bad way? But it's the direct route! (4,4).
16 E.g. cricket batting school (6).
18 Marc at royal race-meeting brings luck (6).
20 America in joyous song binge (8).
23 The edge of Wimbledon? (9).
24 It houses the sewers in the Tuileries (4).
26 Tip of Cadiz — undivided region of special features (4).
27 Air gauge in the merry-go-round (10).
28 Impetuous dash of tailless antelope (4).
29 Put underground employees in Northern Territory in detention (10).

DOWN

1 Mark one card, a club (4).
2 Seasoning is making mine look richer (7).
3 Position in shop for staff's added lines? (12).
4 Plumber who called Mark Twain? (8).
5 Circus modernized, always indicating no U-turns (3-3).
7 Galley that needed a lot of sweeping (7).
8 The bullet for Jack's first 'elicopter crash! (10).
11 Ouija, used in agreeing to such an alliance? (6-6).
14 Imitator unfolding inch-map that covers sea in Holland (10).
17 Insouciant about an arbitrator who is heartless (8).
19 Virginia's up before royal governess, that is plain (7).
21 Challenger, for example, thus let loose (7).
22 Deep hole in America produces tin over there (6).
25 Decorative work in pine? (4).

The Times Jumbo Crossword with an additional set of concise clues is on page 14.

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 14

من الأصل